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Textbooks Assigning Women To The Home Are Questioned

By TERYL DASKAL
(Second of two parts)

"Traditionally a man is required to fulfill all the 613 commandments; a woman to do only those that will not interfere with her duties as wife and mother. In the traditional synagogue, men are most important. But in the home, that small temple, woman sets the tone; woman gives the flavor; woman decides whether it will be truly Jewish or not."

UNDER THE HEADING, "a woman's duties," the above passage appears in a fairly recent textbook used in Indianapolis. It is of course taken from the context of a longer chapter which explains the importance of the home in Jewish life, but the theme does not vary.

So — is this sexism? Is this indicative of an attitude which conspires to keep women encased in their kitchens on an

endless round of hallah and ha-mantashen?

"Certainly that passage assigns a role to woman," said Mrs. Richard Kiser, "but it is not a lesser role. Notice it also defines a role for man. At IHC we have never taught the roles so defined, and certainly never implying that woman is lesser."

"Remember, to a certain extent, you usually do find the woman in the kitchen," pointed out Mrs. Edwin Epstein. "The normal role for woman is in the home area with the children. To many people this is automatically a put-down. I don't look at it that way."

"THAT PASSAGE is not sexist, but it's over-simplified. It's only a surface view. Society today delegates responsibility for being Jewish to the synagogue, but setting the tone in the home can be as important or more important than the synagogue. The feeling

definitely was not that women are inferior."

"I accept the delegation of roles in life," Mrs. Epstein continued, "but I also think it's wrong to put someone down because they do more than that role. Accepting the framework itself, however, is not sexist."

THE IDEA of not using roles as a limitation on women, but more as a reference, came up several times.

"The passage is sexist in that it divides roles based on sex," said Mrs. Michael Cohen. "As tradition it has value, but we can carry it farther today. Women does set the tone in the home and does the cooking, but why can't she carry out the other commandments too?"

"That passage is not a broad view, it's stunted. Many modern women may in fact follow that role, but they would not feel satisfied when they see it in writing like that," she concluded.

CLEARLY THE passage is archaic," said Mrs. Robert Garelick. "Young people today are merely ignoring the tradition. Women aren't afraid to do anything and their peers accept it. I feel the man is very important in setting the tone at home too."

Mrs. Stanley Terman repeated that idea that the passage reflects a sort of reverse discrimination against men in the home. "Life today is more democratic," she said. "Woman sets the style of the home, but man has an input too. Sexism comes whenever you apply discrimination and not allow someone fulfillment based on their sex."

Phone queries to the Hebrew Academy and the Jewish Educational Association resulted in some rather frustrating conversations about the sanctity of womanhood and the traditional roles in Judaism. Should one carry this pursuit

to the extent of questioning why verb conjugations and adjectives take on masculine or feminine form?

NATURALLY, when the Bible and the ancient commentaries replace actual textbooks, then the issue of sexism becomes inter-twined with tradition. In both conversations it was stressed: woman was never assigned particular roles because she was considered inferior. As one exasperated JEA teacher finally exclaimed, "Besides circumcision, men and women get equal treatment here!"

The issue of sexism, it seems, requires careful definitions and a close look at the meaning and place of tradition. These appear to be much more significant issues than what any textbook has to say.

Consider: is it sexist that not one man was quoted in this article?

TOM MANTEL ELECTED PRESIDENT OF IHC Theatre-In-The-Woods To Present 'The Heiress' For 6 Performances

Thomas J. Mantel has been elected president of the Indianapolis Hebrew Congregation and will be installed at services this Friday night.

He will be assisted by Sidney Tuchman, first vice president; Robert Netzorg, second vice

president; Patricia Lindeman, treasurer and Bernice Blatt, secretary.

Elected to the board were Richard Glasser, Ronald Lieber, Dorit Paul, Jerome Strauss, Larry Selig, Meta Kleiman, Ronald Popp and Enid Laroff.

HEALTH CLUB AT CENTER OFFERS BEST IN CITY

The elaborate new health club at the Jewish Community Center opened officially last

Sunday, it was announced by chairman Louis Pintchuck. Equipped with a steam bath, sauna, whirlpool, 16-station weight machine and other devices, the club compares with the best in Indianapolis.

A professional masseur and masseuse are available.

Hadassah Honors Arie Friedler

A special certificate expressing Hadassah's appreciation for dedicated service to Hashachar was presented to Arie Friedler by Mrs. Abe Max, immediate past president.

Besides aiding regular meetings, Friedler organized the successful Israel Youth Week activities and Hashachar's Campaign to collect children's books for an Israeli kibbutz. Hashachar is Hadassah's youth movement.

L. Profeta Wins Fitness Award

Louis Profeta, son of Mr. and Mrs. Mo Profeta was the only fifth grade student at Allisonville School to qualify for the President's Physical Fitness Award. To win the honor, he was required to meet or exceed standards in seven athletic categories.

Theatre-in-the-Woods of the Jewish Community Center will have its first summer production, a delightful period drama, "The Heiress" by Ruth and Augustus Goetz. The play, based on the Henry James novel "Washington Square" takes place in the late 1900's. The parlor drama revolves around the heiress, a plain, shy girl; her father, an embittered, intellectual physician; the suitor, a charming rascal; and a quixotic aunt.

Since the novel is a vehicle for James' passion to protect innocence from danger, examining the philosophy of moral integrity, sentimentality is necessarily hindered; but the play entertains a much more romantic identification between the suitor and the heroine. In spite of her father's bitter wisdom and her suitor's questionable perseverance, the heroine's innocence triumphs over such worldliness and boldly exerts a spirited self-assertion against denials of her human dignity.

Theatre-in-the-Woods will present "The Heiress" on June 19, 21, 22, 26, 28 and 29. Produced and directed by Daniel Kasle, the cast is composed of J. Edgar Webb, Diane Moore, C. Alvin Ross, Charlotte Kaufman, Lynne Waldman, Sondra J. Finkel, Deana McGivern, Clara Jean Heath and Joe Lackner.



Lynne Waldman, C. Alvin Ross and Charlotte Kaufman take leading roles in "The Heiress."

14 From City To Attend District II Convention

Indianapolis will be sending 14 delegates to the 123rd Annual B'nai B'rith District Two convention in St. Louis, Mo. from June 21-24. The delegates will plan the coming year's program for B'nai B'rith in the district including Indiana, Ohio, Kentucky, Missouri, Kansas, Wyoming, Colorado and New Mexico.

Attending will be Jon Abels, Benjamin Ashkenaz, Alfred Brown, Robert Droker, Joel Epstein, David Gilman, Lawrence Greenwald, Gerald Kraft, Samuel Mantel, Barry Pakula, Robert Rifkin, Allen Seif, Don Siegel and Robert Solow.

Dr. Abram Sachar, Chancellor of Brandeis University, will be the keynote speaker. Other speakers will include David Blumberg, national B'nai B'rith president, and Dr. William Korey, director of the United Nations B'nai B'rith office.

TEEN SCENE

Many Honors Won At N. Central

Recognition Day at North Central High School brought many awards to Jewish students.

Triangle Club Awards went to Elaine Rappaport, senior, first place; Jeffrey Berger, junior, second place and Edwin Horwitz, sophomore, second place. Harvey Elam and William Morgan won National Merit Scholarships. Jay Jaffe was a finalist in the National Achievement Scholarship Competition. Richard Friman, Ellen Gabovitch, Ann Gorman, and Fred Kaseff received the National Merit Scholarship Letter of Commendation for Superior Performance.

THE FOLLOWING seniors were awarded citations for grades in the upper 10 per cent of their class: Tracy Chalfin, Harvey Elam, Marilyn Fogle, Henry Friman, Ellen Gabovitch, Ann Gorman, David Grossman, Jay Jaffe, Nancy Joseph, Fred Kaseff, Karen Kraft, Jane Lieberman, Susan Maieron, William Morgan, Wendy Rabin, Elaine Rappaport, Jeff Sakowitz, David Sigal and Lisa Abel.

The same award for juniors earned citations for John Abrams, Jeff Berger, Alan Berkowitz, Bradley Berman, Emily Dale, Alan Friedman, Julie Goldberg, Lisa Goldstein, Jill Klein, Lynn Levy, Gregg Newmark, Susan Ochs, Alison Paul, Miriam Silverman, Lisa Stein and Ronald Wides.

Sophomores who were recognized similarly included William Berkowitz, David Blain, Brenda Fang, Rochelle Friedman, Ed Horowitz, Samuel Kline, Susan Laikin, Alix Litwack, Scott Morgan, Helen Robins, Julie Rochlin, Harold Sigal, Lori Stillerman and Marilyn Wolf.

SENIORS in the upper 25 per cent of their class include Mark Blain, Sarah Burger, Lisa

Davis, Ralph Kahn, Malanie Lutz, Linda Morgan, Paul Moskovitz, Rhonda Schuff, Mark Schwartz, Karen Segal, Sandra Zeckel, and Eilee Ziker. Juniors in the upper 25 per cent of their class were Sally Bloom, Audrey Atlas, Lori Green, Carol Greenberg, Debbie Himmelstein, Dora Katz, John Kline, Gerald Lande, Steven Lave, Jon Mandlebaum, Stacy Maurer, Mark Miller, Debra Steiman, Ivan Stillerman, Nancy Weinstein, Janet Wolf and John Ackerman. Sophomores in the upper quarter of their class were Sharon Brodsky, Fran Bercovitz, David Blatt, Danny Epstein, Dave Gabovich, Ross Glazier, Joan Grossman, Ben Harris, Debbie Hermann, Ray Kahn, Barbara Maurer, Bruce Nelson, Stephanie Pinkus, David Resnick, Ellen Schankerman, Ilene Schankerman, Steven Schwartz, Ann Segar, Janet Selby and Barry Subin.

The National Honor Society inducted the following junior and senior class members: Lisa Abel, Kathy Atlas, Tracy Chalfin, Harvey Elam, Marilyn Fogle, H. Richard Friman, Ellen Gabovitch, Ann Gorman, David Grossman, Jay Jaffe, Nancy Joseph, Fred Kaseff, Karen Kraft, Jane Lieberman, Malanie Lutz, Linda Morgan, Wendy Rabin, Elaine Rappaport, Jeff Sakowitz, Rhonda Schuff, Mark Schwartz, David Sigal, John Abrams, John Ackerman, Jeff Berger, Alan Berkowitz, Sally Bloom, Emily Dale, William Farber, Alan Friedman, Julie Goldberg, Lisa Goldstein, Carol Greenberg, Jill Klein, Gerald Lande, Steven Lave, Lynn Levy, Jon Mandlebaum, Stacy Maurer, Mark Miller, Gregg Newmark, Susan Ochs, Alison Paul, Julie Shoemaker, Miriam Silverman, Ivan Stillerman, Jay Zucker, Ronald Wides and Janet Wolf.

WINNING an Interscholastic

Athletic award were Alan Berkowitz, Bill Farber and David Fishman, Ralph Kahn, Mark Miller, Scott Morgan, Tom Morgan and Richard Newman.

Receiving Honorable Mention in the Regional Scholastic Art Contest were Mindy Rosenweig and Mark Schwartz.

Ralph Kahn was one of the Marion County and IHSAA sectional and Regional Tennis Champions.

Mark Miller and Tom Morgan were Marion County and IHSAA Sectional Swim Champions.

Dave Fishman was IHSAA Sectional Gymnastic Champion.

Winning awards for intramural basketball were Bill Farber and Richard Newman.

AWARDS for Girls Interscholastic Athletics went to Cindy Arkin, Lisa Harris, Stacy Maurer and Cynthia Refkin. The Sigma Delta Chi Journalism Award was won by Ellen Gabovitch. She was also given the Quill and Scroll Award.

Lynn Levy and Lisa Abel were National French Contest State Finalists.

Alison Paul scored in 90th percentile or above nationally in the National German Test.

Julie Rochain was a finalist in the National Spanish Contest, while Ester Nahmias was a finalist in the Latin Indiana University Honors Program.

Jay Jaffe and Mona Frankovitz were given the National Hebrew Culture Council Achievement Awards.

JULIE SELIG won the Marion County IHSAA Sectional and State Golf Champion Award. David Grossman and Bill Morgan were among the top ten North Central High School Students in the National Mathematics Contest. David Grossman also won both the Franklin College and Rose-Hulman Institute Mathematics Contests.

Students winning awards from the Choral Department were Lisa Abel, Elaine Rappaport, Linda Morgan, Bob Brenner and Fred Kaseff.

Winning awards in the Orchestral Department were Steve Bernstein, Ronald Wides, Lisa Abel, Shelly Friedman, Lisa Lande, Alison Paul and Helen Robins.

CONGRATULATIONS to Ronie Klain of Northview Junior High who will serve as next year's Student Council president. Congratulations also to Danny Arron who will be vice president.

Steve Brodsky was elected as Westlane Junior High Student Council president. Congratulations and good luck next year.

Israeli Girls Tell Of Life At Israeli Border Town

Living within a quarter of a mile of the Lebanese border has not affected Tamar Hazan, who visited Indianapolis last week as a guest of Hashachar and Hadassah chapters and spoke to students of the JEA and the Hebrew Academy.

The 21-year-old Israeli girl is spending two months in the United States as a representative of Israel's development towns.

"I COME from a typical Moroccan family," said Tamar. "We are eight brothers and sisters. I am the youngest in my family. My eldest sister is 45 years old, the grandmother of three. I have 40 nieces and nephews."

In 1955, when Tamar was eight months old, her family migrated to Israel from Morocco. The family settled first in a rural settlement in Negev and in 1961 they moved to Shlomi, where her father has served as rabbi.

Shlomi, a development town on the border with Lebanon, was founded 24 years ago. Today there are 3,000



TAMAR HAZAN
... 40 nieces and nephews

inhabitants. "The average family," says Tamar, "consists of 8-9 children. The majority of the people are religious and we do not have crime or drug problems."

BECAUSE there is no high school in Shlomi, after graduating from grammar school Tamar continued her studies in Jerusalem and Haifa. "I study social work at Haifa University and I want to stay at Shlomi after graduating and work in the community center," she says.

Conversation with Tamar revealed an interesting coincidence: the executive director of the community center in Shlomi is Eli Padeh, who worked at the Jewish Community Center several years ago.

How is it like to live so close to the border? "Since the Yom Kippur War," Tamar said, "the town was surrounded by wire, soldiers protect the place and every adult over 18 has to serve guard duty every week. Almost every family keeps a gun at home."

Samuel L. Cohen To Be Bar Mitzvah



SAMUEL LEON COHEN

Samuel Leon Cohen, son of Mr. and Mrs. Leon S. Cohen, 715 West 72nd Street, will celebrate his bar mitzvah at services at Etz-Chaim Sephardic Congregation beginning at 8:30 a.m. Saturday, June 14. Maternal grandmother is Mrs. Isaac Crespy, Broomall, Pa. Paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Samuel G. Cohen, Miami Beach.

Out-of-town guests planning to attend the bar mitzvah are Mrs. Crespy and Mr. and Mrs. David Levy, of Broomall, Mr. and Mrs. Cohen of Miami Beach, Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Winitz, Chicago, Mrs. Morris Saltiel of North Brunswick, N.J., and Mr. and Mrs. Morris Cohen of Rockville, Md.

Northwest To Hear Authoress Thursday

HAMMOND — Authoress Gerda Weissman Klein will speak at Temple Beth El at 8 p.m. on Thursday, June 19. Her presentation is sponsored by the Leadership Development Committee of the Northwest Indiana Jewish Welfare Federation and is open to the public. There will be no charge for admission and solicitation of funds, according to Chairman Sanford Levinson of Munster.

Mrs. Klein's autobiography, "All But My Life," deals with her experiences in Zani Europe.

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Union Camp Opens June 22 With Record Enrollment

Union Camp Institute in Zionsville will inaugurate this summer's session on June 22 with a record number of campers. For the first time in several years, enrollment for both sessions of camp have been filled.

Indiana will be sending 69 campers to Zionsville out of a total of over 300 from Ohio, Michigan, Missouri, Kentucky, Illinois and Tennessee, before the season ends Aug. 16.

ATTENDING from Indianapolis Hebrew Congregation will be Rachel Alt, Ted Bernstein, Rebecca Brindle, Sharon Brodsky, Steven Brodsky, Marcia Davidson, Hugh Fink, Barry Fisher, Stacy Frank, Geri Frank, Shelley Friedman.

Also James Harmon, Sonja Kantor, Elliot Keen, Richard Kiser, Enid Laroff, Reid Litwack, Alix Litwack, Michael Meyers, Daniel Morris, Alison Paul, Monique Ruben, David

Schechter, Eden Sirkus, Elizabeth Sirkus, Jeffrey Smith, Evie Smukler, Bradley Stoner and Kathy Tuchman.

Attending from Beth-El Zedeck will be Daniel Blain, Melanie Fogle and Helen Kurlander.

Fort Wayne has a large delegation which includes Lisa Butler, Anthony G. Esterson, Daniel Fogel, Sheryl Finkel, Leslie Hutner, David Harris, Inda Martinez, Jill Marx, Alan Marx, Daniel Safran; Evelyn Safirstein, Samuel Safirstein, Michael and Susan Sandler, Elizabeth and Jennifer Schwartz, Hayden and Regina Schultz, Amy Warshauer, Barton Weidman and Josh Young.

From Muncie will come Michelle Goloff, Jack Goloff and Jeff Weinberg; from South Bend will be Jodi Cohen, Abigail Katz and Ruth Wright.

Beth and Marla Newbauer are coming from Marion; Marc A. Goldenberg from Richmond; Allan Berger, Karyn Berger and Susan Koren from Terre Haute; and from Evansville Kay Gordon, Janet Newman and David Schragar.

According to Union Camp Director Joshua Arnold and Program Director, Ronald Klotz, the program will be geared toward sensitizing campers to Judaism, athletics and fine arts.

Bruce Nelson and Paul Rosenstein, both from Indiana, will also be working on the staff this summer.

JONATHAN STEIN NOW FULL-FLEDGED RABBI

It is now Rabbi Jonathan Stein officially.

Although he has served the Indianapolis Hebrew Congregation as assistant to Rabbi Murray Saltzman as a student rabbi, the title was conferred at ordination ceremonies last Friday night and Saturday at Hebrew Union College — Jewish Institute of Religion. He will continue on the rabbinic staff at IHC.

Rabbi Stein served previously with the Main Line Reform Temple, Philadelphia and Isaac M. Wise Temple in Cincinnati. He has been rabbinic advisor to the Ohio Valley Federation of Temple Youth and as well as assistant director of the

Academy Given \$1000 By UOHC

A \$1,000 contribution from the United Hebrew Orthodox Congregation was announced this week by the Hebrew Academy of Indianapolis.

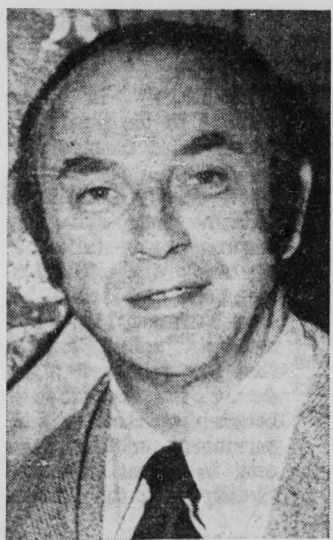
Presenting the gift was Rube Reiswerg, UOHC president, who said it was made in recognition of the school's role in perpetuating the teaching of traditional Judaism in the community. Accepting the gift was Hart Hasten, Academy president.

Hasten Appointed To National Body

Hart N. Hasten, Indianapolis business and community leader, has been elected a member of the 1975 national campaign cabinet of the Israel Bond Organization.

Hasten's election was made "in recognition of your active leadership," according to Sam Rothberg, general chairman of the Bond organization, adding that "we all feel that as a member of the Cabinet you will add a great deal to our planning at the national level of activity ... my personal thanks for your efforts in behalf of Israel's economic security through Israel Bonds."

Hart Hasten is co-chairman with his brother, Mark, of the Indianapolis Israel Bond organization, and is also president of the Indiana Prime Minister's Club consisting of members who purchase \$25,000 or more in Israel Bonds annually. He is president of the Welfare Federation, and is Hebrew Academy of Indianapolis active in numerous local and polis, a member of the national Jewish and non-Jewish executive board of the Jewish



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What Resolution Was Aimed At Explained By Weiss-Rosmarin

Editor, POST and OPINION:

In your report on the Rabbinical Assembly's resolution on "Financial Accountability" (P-O, May 30), you suggest that "The Jewish Agency is able to supply funds to American projects — as for instance the Herzl Institute in New York — without jeopardizing its tax free status with the Internal Revenue Service . . ." by using "funds it raises in other countries to supply the wherewithal for pro-Israel educational projects in North America." May I point out that all educational projects, including the Herzl Institute, qualify for tax free status. The problem of the Jewish Agency's tax status was raised by Senator Fullbright and his Senate Committee only with respect to political projects, and it is only for political activities that British, Canadian, South African Jews, etc. help pay the bills of various U.S.A. Zionist groups as well as the bills of the World Zionist Organization — American Section.

From the "commentary" of the Chairman of the R.A. Convention Resolutions Committee, Rabbi Howard Singer — the "commentary" contained in some of his letters to me — it is quite clear that the resolution is "concerned" both with funds collected in this and in other countries for defraying expenses of Aliyah and K'lita (immigration and absorption) and which are spent (the funds collected in the U.S.A.) on two Jewish Agency Education Departments, a profusion of publications ("Midstream," "Israel Digest," Forum," etc., etc.) and books and pamphlets, educational conferences, dialogues, etc. and (the funds collected outside of the U.S.A.) on the various political offices of the Jewish Agency and World Zionist Organization in this country, such as the exorbitantly expensive office of Mrs.

Charlotte Jacobson, chairman of the World Zionist Organization — American Section.

What I have been inquiring about — and it is for this that the R.A. Resolution has commended me — is the amount, in dollars and cents, which is being spent on publications, conferences, travel expenses, expense accounts of the professionals and the volunteers in the far-flung Jewish Agency and World Zionist Offices. The fact that the Jewish Agency has an absolutely clean slate with the U.S. Internal Revenue Service should not be interpreted to prove that it does not waste and fails to account for the millions collected elsewhere.

May I suggest that, so as to correct any wrong impression which might be created by your reference to tax status, you print this word for word text of the resolution:

RESOLUTION ON ISRAELI-DIASPORA RELATIONS

Background

For many years now, only one responsible Jewish voice has been raised in questioning certain fund raising procedures most of us took for granted. Dr. Trude Weiss-Rosmarin, in her magazine, The Jewish Spectator, has consistently hammered at the lack of accountability in fund raising drives. She was roundly denounced for it, but recent headlines bear her warnings out. The absence of strict public accountability, apparently leads, or at least permits, disorders and serious losses. The American Jewish community owes Dr. Rosmarin a vote of thanks for her warnings.

Resolution

The American Jewish community cannot tolerate a situation which has led to allegations of corruption, mismanagement, and substantial losses of direly needed funds.

We urge, in this time of unprecedented peril for the State of Israel, that vehicles of mutual responsibility and accountability be established between Israel and the Diaspora.

We are especially concerned that no funds collected for strengthening Israel by diverted, under whatever disguises, for support of political parties and other purposes for which they were not originally intended.

We declare that funds for refugee settlement in Israel ought not to be diverted to "educational purposes" in the United States.

We must insist that all who are responsible for the disbursement of the philanthropic funds, whether in the United States or in Israel, be held accountable for the manner in which these funds are spent in the Diaspora.

TRUDE WEISS-ROSMARIN
The Jewish Spectator
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Do you want a Pen Friend? If so, write to the Pen Club of The Jewish Post and Opinion, 611 N. Park Ave., Indianapolis, Ind. Your letter — please make it short — will be printed as are those below, at no cost to you.

I would like to have a girl or boy pen-pal to correspond with in Hebrew. Please write in script. I am in the sixth grade. My name and address are Abby Press, 58 Haverford St., Hamden, CT 06517. Shalom!

I would like to have a pen-pal. My name is David Reisman. I am eight years old. I like sports, especially baseball and swimming. My address is 30 Stormytown Rd., Ossining, N.Y. 10562.

Steinmetz Erroneously Is Considered A Jew

Editor, POST and OPINION:

What I am writing you is, of course, of no world-shaking importance, but I thought it would be proper for truth's sake to correct the error about Steinmetz in that quote from William Aiken (in The Editor's Chair of May 23). The Aiken editorial, answering those who say "Jews Go Home" by an eloquent recital of the important achievements of Jews, declared, "And please have pity on us, please show us the secret of how to develop such geniuses as Einstein and Steinmetz and oh, so many others who have helped us all."

Now it is true that Charles Proteus Steinmetz, who died in 1923, was a man of substantial achievement. Though not in a class with Albert Einstein, he was an outstanding electrical engineer, a "wizard of lightning," a dedicated Socialist and a very fine human being. But he was not a Jew.

The error about his Jewishness is wide-spread and is to be found in most articles in Jewish journals and Jewish encyclopedias. His family was Lutheran; he became an agnostic early in life. One of his biographies (John Anderson Miller's "Modern Jupiter") states on page 200, "In a formal sense he had no religion. He had been baptized in the Lutheran Church in Breslau, but when he grew up he dropped his connection with that church and never established any other except a rather loose association with the All Souls Unitarian Church of which the Haydens (his friends) were members". Another biography ("Loki — The Norton Leonard") states, on page 20, "In spite of his father's attitude toward religion, the boy in due time entered the Lutheran Church. This was to avoid annoyances and to placate his relatives."

Evidently, the sound of his name, the fact that he came from Germany from where he was forced to flee because of his Socialist activities, and his association with many Jews in the United States, contributed to his being regarded as a Jew in many circles — an error which has persisted for seven decades.

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The Hillel network grew to 340 with the establishment of Foundations at Dickinson College, Carlisle, Pa., and Pace University, Pleasantville, N.Y.

Intermarried Couples Get Guidance At Rabbinic Center

Editor, Post and Opinion:

In your article entitled, "Mixed Marriage Center has Rabbi, Nun, Clergy" (P-O May 16, 1975) my colleague Rabbi Martin Siegel asks; "Do we need to create new institutions for these people (intermarried couples)?"

Indeed new institutions have been necessary for some time. Over five years ago a small group of dedicated Jews sensed this need and established the Rabbinic Center for Research and Counseling in Westfield, N.J. From this organization which had as its primary goals research on intermarriage and the counseling of intermarried couples, a synagogue program developed for those individuals who came to us for help and assistance.

Established in order to respond to the needs of newly intermarried couples who were looking for a place where they could identify as Jews and feel welcome, our synagogue has become a way-station, a place of temporary affiliation. Our members are located all over New York and New Jersey and usually remain with us for the first few years after marriage during the transition period between apartments and more permanent settling down. We seek to affirm their desire to identify with the Jewish com-

munity and to help their integration by discussing with them in advance some of the problems they may confront.

Toward this end we have developed seminars and courses around specific areas of concern, such as Raising Children in the Intermarried Home, Gaining Acceptance in the Jewish Community and Observing Judaism in the Home. We have found that our study courses on Judaism, creative worship programs and marriage enrichment Sabbaths and weekends have also proved appealing to couples where both partners are Jewish. When a couple begins to establish roots in their local community, we encourage affiliation with a local synagogue.

We have sponsored a seminar for rabbis who officiate at intermarriages in order to provide a forum for a free expression of concerns and feelings. We plan more such seminars for next year.

Rabbi Siegel is to be commended for his work at the Interfaith Center. Indeed, many more new institutions like the Interfaith Center are needed to serve intermarried couples.

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Award To Sen. Sam Ervin, Jr., By Seminary Is Challenged

Editor, post and opinion;

We Jewish people very often demean ourselves and cower to public officials by rendering them honors which they do not deserve. Thus we place ourselves in a position of catering to non-deserving persons for the purpose of raising funds or publicity. On February 6, the Jewish Theological Seminary of America at the 16th Annual Convocation at the Temple Emanu-El in Miami Beach, gave to former United States Senator Sam J. Ervin, Jr. the Herbert H. Lehman award. The press release stated that the award is presented to individuals in public life who exemplify and strive for morality, social justice, peace and brotherhood of man.

I need not state the civil right record of Sam Ervin, Jr. which is replete with not only voting against all legislation beneficial to minorities but he and Senator Eastland were the leaders for many years in the U.S. Senate in promoting and sponsoring anti-civil rights measures too numerous to mention.

After Sam J. Ervin Jr. received the award he appeared before the North Carolina Assembly urging them not to ratify the equal rights amendment to the United States Constitution.

We in the Conservative movement have been working towards greater benefits for women in our synagogues, both in the religious services and as members of boards and other responsible positions. It appears that the award given him gave him immediate impetus to do the opposite of what our

Conservative movement and Jewish Theological Seminary stands for.

On the question of the State of Israel I received a letter from the American Israel Public Affairs Committee at Washington, D.C. which characterized Sam Ervin's position on Israel as follows:

"In response to your request, I have enclosed a summary of the record of former Senator Sam Ervin on major legislation and key resolutions regarding Israel and Soviet Jewry during his last six years in the Senate. As you can see, his record in this area is quite poor."

I respectfully submit that the above should sufficiently indicate to us that Jewish organizations should not engage in these unwarranted awards which are derogatory to the sponsoring organization and to the Jewish people as a whole. We know that when a Jewish organization makes an award of this kind the general public interprets the act of the organization as speaking for the Jewish people as a whole.

I further submit that there are many Jews and non-Jews that were certainly more deserving of this award and without disregarding others I refer to that stalwart, consistent advocate of Israel, the Honorable Congressman Henry Reuss of Milwaukee.

I sincerely hope that this unwarranted act will serve as a lesson to not only the Jewish Theological Seminary but to all Jewish organizations to act more prudently in honoring individuals.

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2 Families Travel 240 Miles Twice Weekly To Become Jews

By ELAINE GARFIELD

AJO, Ariz. (P-O) — Anybody who thinks it's hard to be Jewish should hear what two of Arizona's newest Jewish families have gone through in order to BECOME Jews!

For openers, consider this:

The Tablers and Fricovskys live not in a city such as Phoenix, but in the little town of Ajo, Ariz. (Pronounced AH-ho). To receive conversion instruction, they have had to drive to Phoenix, 120 miles each way, usually twice a week for nearly six months.

Furthermore, they keep kosher, and this has meant buying their food in Phoenix.

FINALLY, there are the tremendous pressures and disapproval encountered at being the only Jews in Ajo, a community of 8,000 persons of whom 60 per cent are Catholic and 30 per cent are LDS (Mormon). Nor can family relationships be ignored, since these are people who were raised as devout Catholics — Tabler even has a sister who is a nun.

Yet Mr. and Mrs. Tabler and Mrs. Fricovsky praise everything about their new life as Jews, particularly the people at Beth Hebrew Congregation in Phoenix (conservative) and its spiritual leader, Rabbi Joseph Berglas, through whom they were converted.

"I don't think we would have this devotion if it were not for this man," declared Mrs. Tabler, gesturing toward Rabbi Berglas. "He has been a blessing to us."

THE TABLERS were re-married in a Jewish ceremony performed by Rabbi Berglas at Beth Hebrew on Sunday, June 1. The congregation provided a chupah and the Sisterhood, the refreshments. Present, naturally, were the couple's two children, a 11-year-old daughter and a 6-year-old son. All family members have taken new names. James and Juninda Tabler have become Abraham and Sarah. The children, Teresa and James, have become Rifka and David.

With them, of course, at the ceremony was their dear friend, Carmen Fricovsky, now Ruth, and her children. A widow for many years, Mrs. Fricovsky is the mother of four, ranging in age from 12 to 19. Patricia, 12, is now Naomi; John, 15, is now Johanan; and Paul, 19, has become David. William, 17, is currently serving in the Marines, stationed in the Pacific. He, too, is converting, according to his mother.

A reference to the two families brought an immediate correction from both women.

"We consider the two families to be one," they said, almost in unison.

THEY REACHED their decision to convert independently, yet together.

"It had been in our minds for some time . . . the more we read, the more convinced we were that it was the only way . . . Jews are the most persecuted people in the world, but they still have time to help others," they commented.

Mrs. Fricovsky recalled that she began questioning Catholicism as early as her junior high school years.

"Why the Trinity — isn't God one? Why make confession to another human being?", she wondered even then.

Tabler felt that reading proved to be a decisive factor. Strongly influencing his decision was "Jews, Religion and History," by Max Dimont.

THE TWO WOMEN talked together daily,

compared attitudes, shared feelings, but feared to mention to Tabler their longing to convert to Judaism. They assumed he was unaware of it. However, while they were talking, he was reading. To their utter amazement, one day last December, he returned from a trip to Phoenix with a yarmulka.

"I can't believe it!" cried his delighted wife.

She bought him a recording of "Fiddler on the Roof."

All agreed that the actual moment when they became convinced conversion was the only answer came during Mass last Christmas.

"For the life of me, I just couldn't kneel down," said one. The others nodded in agreement.

Since reaching their decision to become Jewish, life in Ajo has not been easy. For one thing, they say, their children have become the targets of anti-Semites.

"I don't want to play with you. You're a Christ-killer," one child was told.

CONSEQUENTLY, the Tabler youngsters have been forced to play only in their own yard.

At one point, a local priest, aware of the furor the conversions had aroused in the community, preached a sermon on understanding. "We as Catholics have to thank the Jews. Our religion is based on theirs," he pleaded. His remarks were greeted with stony silence, it was said.

"By converting, we separated ourselves from families and friends," they admit.

One compensation has been the new friends at Beth Hebrew.

"Never have we met warmer people than these," said one of the trio. "The way they've opened up to us — if ever we had a doubt, it disappeared at the first service we attended."

THEY HAD SOUGHT out Beth Hebrew because they had decided against Reform or even liberal Conservatism in favor of a traditional Conservative congregation.

Tabler dons t'fillin and prays three times each day. Adults and children all have been to the mikvah in Tucson. They have joined the Phoenix Jewish Community Center. Rifka and Naomi, who are good friends, will be attending a Jewish camp this summer.

A Bet Ha Din — A "test" by rabbis and laymen to determine whether the converts were ready to be accepted into Judaism — was held on May 22, with three rabbis and two Beth Hebrew board members participating, after which a certificate was issued to the Ajo Jews.

The Fricovskys moved to Ajo seven years ago from Mexico City. The Tablers came from Indianapolis five years ago. Tabler is an aircraft machinist.

Despite the problems they have encountered, they have no regrets, a fact made obvious by their comments on their new way of life:

"THE UNITY of the family and the closeness it has brought to us are incredible."

"When you light the candles, there's such a feeling of unity. You know that millions of people throughout the world are doing it with you."

"Because of tradition, we know who we are and what God expects us to be."

"The easiest way to become a human being is to become a Jew."

Israel Ahead On Using Recycled Animal Waste

By JUNE ELLIOT

OAKLAND (P-O) — When it comes to feeding farm animals, the Israelis are trailblazing in two ways: recycling animal waste and feeding agricultural waste products to animals.

Dr. Nissan Rand, noted animal nutritionist from Israel, was recently in northern California as part of a farm-hopping trip across the United States to observe American poultry and livestock practices and to tell about some of the new methods and research that Israel has developed.

"IN ISRAEL TODAY," he explains, "most of the manure from poultry is collected, scientifically treated, and then converted to excellent feedstuff for dairy and beef cattle."

Although the basic research in this field was performed at Michigan State and Virginia Polytech Institute, Israel is a pioneer for putting the principles into practice.

"Recycling animal waste is good for everybody," Dr. Rand is convinced. "It helps us with the environmental problem of getting rid of the manure without causing pollution. It provides extra income to the poultry farmer (who sells what he collects). It lowers the cost of feed production for the cattle farmer. And it also saves currency to be better spent on importing protein."

CHICKEN MANURE is good for cattle, cattle manure good for chickens., Says Dr. Rand. "Treated and pasteurized, cattle

manure does have less nutrient-value than poultry waste, but it serves a special purpose. It provides low-energy diet bulk needed to prevent heavy-breed pullets and layers from overeating."

Yos, Dr. Rand compares, it's like the role of celery in a reducing diet — a harmless filler.

Israel has highly developed industries in poultry, turkey, and dairy farming. But Israel also has limited financial capabilities. Dr. Rand tells, "So we have learned how to use by-products from agricultural industries. 'Waste' from citrus production, sugar beets, almonds, wine, are eventually fed to our livestock and are properly utilized."

NISSAN RAND and other Israeli nutrition experts (most of whom were trained in the U.S.) have developed extensive programs in Iran, Greece, Turkey, Cyprus, Singapore, Thailand, and until the Yom Kippur war — many countries in Africa. Israeli teams trained local farmers how to manage and raise poultry and livestock. Israel also exports young chicks, breeding eggs, and heifers for milk production to many of these countries.

Between trips abroad, Dr. Rand travels a lot at home too — from one kibbutz to another. Besides his fame as a scientist, he is a distinguished bridge champion and has often represented Israel at international matches.

Slum Families Moving In Arouses Residents' Ire

JERUSALEM — Jerusalem is not Forest Hills, N.Y., and the problem at Never Ya'acov, a suburban development in northeast Jerusalem, is not one of white versus black.

THE RESIDENTS of the development have protested the influx of slum families, claiming that there was a danger that slum atmosphere might predominate.

Angry protesters broke into the office of Housing Minister Avraham Ofer aroused by the settling of additional slums and help them to adjust to the evacuees in their development.

He refused to confer with them, but did meet with a delegation at the Knesset that evening.

He was told that already the expected 10 per cent of slum families had been moved in, and was now 12 per cent of the 1,200 families. What caused the eruption was announcement of plans to bring in another 40 to 100 slum families.

A SPOKESMAN for the group told The Jerusalem Post that the established families could not absorb the slum families and help them to adjust to the new life.

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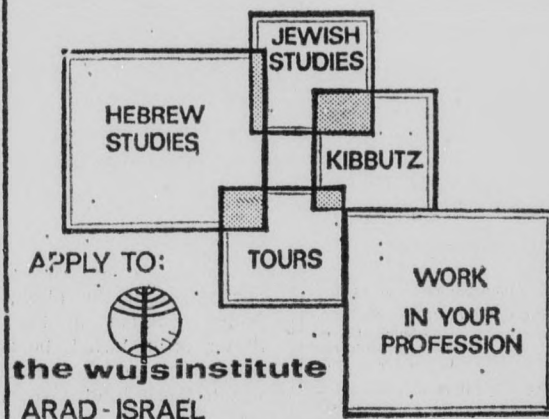
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Where Sephardim Are The Elite

By ELEANOR GLASER

SAN FRANCISCO (P-O) — Whereas in North America the Ashkenazic Jews from Central and Eastern Europe are the dominant component of the Jewish community, the reverse is true south of the border.

BERNARD WAND-POLAK, director of ORT in Latin America, who spent a week in the Bay area lending the experience of his agency in training manual skills in depressed areas to educators here, pointed out that "the best established and wealthiest are the Sephardim who have lived in South America for hundreds and hundreds of years."

He told a reception in his honor in the East Bay that "they are in law and medicine and in big business."

As for the Ashkenazim, they came in the last hundred years, with a big influx at the time of World War II. They are the newcomers.

AT A RECEPTION in his honor in the East Bay, Polish New Left, which says it is anti-Zionist not anti-Semitic. But they are lying and are being manipulated by the Soviet Union. Some of our Jewish youth is falling into the trap, but they have the right to go away; after all we are a democratic community. But they will come back eventually, and then they will suffer from rejection."

Jews established their own. The dominant society was closed to them, so Jews in these communities developed better institutions than those of large Jewish centers. It is a golden ghetto, such as exists in Mexico City, but a ghetto nevertheless."

Wand-Polak explains that Argentina and Brazil had acceptable cultural and educational standards, therefore few Jewish schools were established. Approximately 90 per cent of the Jewish children are enrolled in national schools, and the rate of assimilation is higher than in the smaller countries.

"THERE IS ANTI-SEMITISM in South America; it will exist as long as the Catholic church exists. But I say that is not a Jewish problem. It is the anti-Semites' problem. Perhaps because of Israel our reactions have changed — we respond to violence with violence."

"Just as in America we are losing part of our youth to the New Left, which says it is anti-Zionist not anti-Semitic. But they are lying and are being manipulated by the Soviet Union. Some of our Jewish youth is falling into the trap, but they have the right to go away; after all we are a democratic community. But they will come back eventually, and then they will suffer from rejection."

Blind Israeli Veteran Gets A Seeing Eye Dog

By ELEANOR GLASER

SAN RAFAEL, Calif. (P-O) — A blinded veteran of the Yom Kippur War is the first Israeli to train at Guide Dogs for the Blind here.

Now back home at Kibbutz Ashdot Yaacov, Reuven Perach, a 29 year-old former truck driver, walks confidently with his guide dog Kirby, hesitating only over the English commands he must use.

Perach lost his sight and a finger on his left hand when the half track he was driving on the Egyptian side of the Suez Canal sustained a direct hit. Of the five soldiers in the vehicle, Perach was the lone survivor.

HE SPENT two months in a Tel Aviv hospital where shrapnel pieces were removed from his eyes, face, and hand. Given the choice of training with a seeing eye dog or learn-



YOM KIPPUR WAR VETERAN REUVEN PERACH WITH HIS GUIDE DOG, KIRBY

'Hester Street' Gets Good Review

CANNES, France — One of the films entered in the Festival here, entitled "Hester Street," recreates the time and the temper and the people of New York's lower eastside at the turn of the century.

Woven around a good story plot, it tells about Jake, who swallows whole the bit about Americanization, and courts another woman although he has a wife and child in Europe, whom he finally brings to this country. Filled with shame at their cloddishness, he is the one who finally loses her when she doffs her sheitel and herself adapts, and divorces him.

Variety, which reviewed the movie, which stars Steven Keats, Carol Kane, Mel Howard and Dorrie Kavanaugh and is written and directed by Joan Micklin Silver, terms it a "sleeper," which means it could gather momentum and do well commercially.

ing to walk with a cane, Perach provided the family with a car and a telephone, both luxury items for a kibbutznik. But Reuven is no longer able to work on the kibbutz as before, either driving a truck or working in the cotton fields or orchards. He will study a new trade or profession, with Kirby to guide him.

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Jews Different But Special

Jews are half as shy as the average, according to a survey by Prof. Philip Zimbardo reported in the Kansas City Jewish Chronicle. The Stanford University prof's survey shows that only 24 per cent of Jews questioned thought of themselves as being shy, about half the average of other sub groups. "We found a very low average of shyness among Jews in general," said Zimbardo. "It leads to interesting speculation. Jews have always had to cope with being strangers. But what comes out of the Jewish tradition is being different but special. The shy person feels different but insignificant."

The Anti-Semitic Graffiti

When an anti-Semitic graffiti appeared on the Cass Park Baptist Church-Center in Detroit, Pastor Floyd Emmerling told The Detroit Jewish News that he tried to erase the smear off the church walls himself. He told the paper that he had had many complaints from Jewish callers and "resented their implication that he was responsible." He assured Rabbi Leon Fram that "he and his church were even more offended by the graffiti than were the Jewish complainants."

The Hoax

A student who watched the TV broadcast of a luncheon held in Montreal to celebrate the unusual achievements of Norman Pinkas in winning the American Medical Association's medal for academic achievement as an honor student at Harvard Medical School proved the young man's undoing. The student, never having heard of young Pinkas, checked with the dean of the school whose response was likewise, and thus a bubble that had made Canadians and the Pinkas family proud was burst. Not only were TV and the Canadian Cabinet members taken in, but also the daily press.

Outhouse Humor

Buddy Hackett's appearance at an Israel Bond rally in Toronto brought up the question once again of Jewish humorists who resort to outhouse humor and make even the most liberal audience edgy and uneasy. A number of prominent Jews among the 3,200 who came to hear him, walked out.

The Artist At 92

Mrs. Hannah Rauh, 92, who moved to Cincinnati from Mississippi in the 1920's, is probably the oldest Jewish artist still working in the Queen City. She studied at the Cincinnati Art Academy with the painting masters of that time, Herman Wessel and John Weis and was the only middle aged woman then studying art there. Mrs. Rauh is currently showing enameled plaques and bowls at the Miller Galleries here. She works in enamels using ground colored glass adhered with a liquid fixative to a metal surface. Pieces are fired in a kiln at around 1500 degrees until the glass remelts and hardens to a glossy finish as the piece cools. She also works with cloisonne, an ancient method of embedding glass or precious stones with a framework of thin metal wires.

Proof

In order to prove that the Germans are still Nazis, a fellow American that David Finch met in a small town near Kassel in north central Germany on a trip in 1973 tried a trick when the two paid a visit to the rathskeller crowded with Germans eating and drinking their evening meal. As Finch told the story in The Exponent, Philadelphia Jewish weekly, his new-found friend who had a rich voice and had sung in opera, suddenly began singing a song which Finch soon identified as the Horst Wessel Lied, the Nazi walking song that tells about "Jewish blood spurting from our knives," etc. In Finch's own words here is what happened: "I looked around the big room as the singer had suggested, and everyone was listening, and some were sort of beating time with their hands. As I said, he had a very good voice, and as the song went on, some of the people in the restaurant started to sing with him. And within a few moments, everyone in the place was singing the Nazi song, and knowing the words! And I mean everybody — young and old, men and women, they all knew it. It was like something out of an old newsreel of a Hitler rally in the 1930s. As the song finally finished, and some people came over to shake hands with my friend and compliment him on his voice, he looked at me over his beer and said, 'Well?'"

Where Russia Will Meet Defeat

Morris Cerullo, 43, of San Diego, Calif., son of Joseph and Bertha Rosenblatt Cerullo of New Jersey and reared in a Jewish orphanage, is becoming famous in southern California as an evangelist and TV spellbinder on nearly 100 TV stations around the nation. The National Observer's Wesley Pruden, Jr. says the converted Jew uses the technology of alienation to treat aches, pains and heartaches of millions of unhappy people. He says a Baptist nurse converted him while in the Jewish orphanage and lost her job as a result. "I was converted not from Judaism, but from the sinful life I had led as a boy," he told an interviewer. Cerullo predicts "The last days of evil will begin with a dramatic war in the Middle East in which Russia will invade Israel. Just when it seems the Red Army will prevail, God will intervene to destroy Russian might on the Judean hills. It will be God's message to the world that those Old Testament fairy tales are true and he cites chapters 37 and 38 of Ezekiel to prove it. As Cerullo sees it, once God has dealt with the Middle East, peace will reign throughout the world. Poverty and war will be destroyed and the rich nations will feed the poor. "And

the world will make peace with Israel. The Jews are God's chosen people, and you just can't get around it."

What Rabbis Do

Add to rabbis who run in the Boston Marathon, or have other unrabbinical accomplishments, set a new world rope-skipping record, Rabbi Keith Mark Karnofsky, who recently was ordained by the Reconstructionist Rabbinical College. In his spare time, Rabbi Karnofsky has worked as a commercial pilot and a certified flight instructor at Wings Field, Ambler, Pa. Currently he is enrolled as a Ph.D. candidate in the Department of Religion and Psychology at Temple University where he is a teaching assistant.

Uris Has A Choice For President

Leon Uris, author of Exodus who received 13 nominations for Emmy awards, said here that he was for Senator Henry Jackson of Washington for President not only because of his stand on freedom for Russian Jews but because of his integrity during many years in the Senate. He said Jackson has the movie, common sense and judgment needed for a President. Interviewed on Station WKRC, Uris said he has a reputation as a Jewish writer but most of his books have not been on Jewish subjects. He disclaimed responsibility for what the movies and TV do with his works after he writes his books, saying he sells the rights to live between novels, some of which take 10 years to write. He claims he doesn't always see all of the movies of his books or watch TV shows made from them. He said he and his wife, a photographer, are coming out with a book of which she made the photos and he wrote the text. They live in Aspen, Col.

The Winner

When a 26-year-old Hebrew school teacher in his first try for public office defeats an opponent backed by the state's two U.S. Senators and the mayor for the office of Los Angeles City Councilman, then that is close to being a miracle. But Zev Yaroslavsky, who is executive director of the Southern California Council on Soviet Jewry has what it takes as indicated by the fact that with great courage and ingenuity and initiative this organization was fighting for the cause of Soviet Jewry long before our national organizations did anything but issue press releases. From a \$150 a week job to \$30,000 a year as a city Councilman won't be hard to take. In order to campaign Zev had to buy two new suits for appearance sake, but still used his battered car for his transportation. He also had some political experience as a Jewish community organizer for the 1972 presidential campaign for Sen. George S. McGovern.

Elected

Rabbi Joseph H. Lookstein was elected president of the Synagogue Council of America, succeeding Rabbi Irwin M. Blank in the rotation of the top post in the congregational and rabbinic body of all three wings of Judaism.

With The Executives

Albert Goldstein, executive director of the Jewish Community Council of Houston, was feted on the occasion of his retirement after 27 years of service.

With The Rabbis

Rabbi Simcha Freedman, Adath Zion Congregation, Philadelphia, has been elected to the pulpit of Temple Adath Yeshurun, Miami . . . The new assistant rabbi of Temple Israel, Columbus, is Rabbi Bradley Bleedfeld, who was ordained last week by HUC-JIR . . . Rabbi Wayne D. Dosick, Congregation Beth Shalom, Wilmington, Del., has been appointed assistant director of the Synagogue Council of America . . . Beth Israel Congregation, Omaha, has engaged Rabbi David Levin an education-youth director. He received his ordination from Hebrew Theological College, Chicago, this month.

Sermon Of The Week

It's Not Whether You Win Or Lose But Who Gets The Blame — Rabbi Shelden Ephraim Elder, Agudas Achim Congregation, Alexandria, Va.

Quotation Of The Week

The Lord is my shepherd — but I want everthing;
He makes me to lie down in green pastures — I prefer the luxury of a \$100,000 home;
He leads me to the refreshing waters — While I slake my thirst with alcohol, beer and wine;
He guides me in straight paths — whereas I find devious ways to travel;
I walk through the valley of darkness — because I waste our energy sources;
Only Thou art ever with me — for I drive friends away by the way I act with them
You prepare a table for me in the presence of my enemies — I am so confused, I don't know friend from foe;
My cup runs over — because I am so gluttonous that I want more and more
When goodness and mercy follow me — I had better learn to catch up to them;
Otherwise how will I be able to dwell in the Lord's house for any length of time, much less forever. Amen. — Invocation delivered by Rabbi Mordecai Levy, Rock Island, Ill. at Rotary Club meeting.

Are Some Viets Fleeing Justice?

WASHINGTON, D.C. — Greater caution in dealing with Vietnamese refugees might be warranted, says Arthur I. Waskow, who asks "are some of them executioners and torturers in flight from justice?"

The Institute for Policy Studies official, who also is leader of Fabrangen, asks other related questions:

"Should Vietnamese accused of such crimes be returned for trial? Would it be decent to try those accused of being Phoenix assassins without also trying William Colby, now head of the CIA, who directed Phoenix?"

EXCERPTS FROM "SHEMA YISRAEL"

CHAPTER 42: CHARITY AND FREE-LOANS.

"Applicants for food are not examined." (Bava Batra 9a).

(1) EIGHT DEGREES IN CHARITY DONATIONS — The Shulchan Aruch (laws of Charity, Yoreh De'ah 249.6) lists eight categories of charity-giving in descending order:

(a) The highest type of all is to prevent a Jew from falling by providing him with a gift or loan, or by going into partnership with him, or finding or giving him employment, so as to bolster his financial position and prevent him from having to depend on the charity of others.

(b) A degree lower is to give charity to the poor where both donor and recipient are unaware of each other's identity. Very similar to this category is contributing to a charity fund. One should not, however, contribute to a charity fund unless one knows for sure that the fund has a reliable director who knows how to administer it fairly.

(c) A category immediately below the preceding is the giving of charity where the donor is aware of the identity of the recipient, but not the recipient of the identity of the donor.

(d) The next category is the giving of charity where the recipient is aware of the identity of the donor, but not the donor of the recipient.

(e) A category lower is to give to the poor before being approached.

(f) The next category is to give properly after being approached.

(g) The category below the preceding is giving less than is appropriate, but giving graciously.

(h) The lowest type of charity-giving is to give ungraciously.

(2) GIVING CHARITY TO LIVE AND LET LIVE — According to the Talmud (Rosh Hashanah 4a), if a person says: "I give this sum of money to charity that my son may live," his act is completely charitable.

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Bumbling Boycott Action

The mismanagement of the call for a boycott of Gulf Oil products tells us once again that we have no method or apparatus or perhaps even brains in the Jewish community for carrying out decisions or even making them.

The Presidents Conference of Major American Jewish Organizations which has up until now taken the position that it is opposed to boycotts all of a sudden launches one.

A change in a policy is in itself certainly not to be criticized, but the hotheaded way in which it was decided, and then the method of implementing it, which was no method at all, certainly can be criticized.

There was no public announcement of the boycott. The news media was not informed. The Jerusalem Post was our first knowledge of the action of the presidents. Then a few days later — it well could have been that the Israel bureau of the New York Times alerted The Times as to the boycott — an account of the action was published in The Times.

So that was bumbling — but that is also par for the course in American Jewish leadership.

But the action in itself is not supportable. Why jump to drop the atomic bomb? Why not first try to come to terms not only with Gulf Oil but also with the other American oil companies to assure that these companies abide by U.S. law and the ethics that are part of the finest traditions of American business?

But even if Gulf had been obdurate and uncooperative and even threatening, it was not necessary to call for a boycott. American Jews would have acted — as we ourselves have done — on their own by returning their credit cards. In other words, the Jewish leadership as such would have been in a good bargaining position with Gulf and other oil companies and could have maintained the position that it is opposed to boycotts, but it cannot control individual actions.

It still is not too late to deal with the oil companies.

Our own editorial suggestion (P-O, May 23) that these companies make large contributions to the United Jewish Appeal as part of their penance follows Jewish tradition, and if the companies accepted our suggestion, then even the Arab nations would know that American Oil companies could no longer be blackmailed.

The boycott action came after what The Jerusalem Post's correspondent reported was an almost unanimous show of hands. We wonder if he could tell us what if any opposite views were presented to the 300 "leaders" that were present.

Police Brutality Against Jews

The report by Yossi Klein on the brutality of New York city police (P-O, May 30) can be dismissed as it probably was by the Jewish community, but if so, it can be done only at the harm to Jewish self-respect.

One does not have to be opposed to demonstrations to condone what happened in the case of David Stahl and his sister, Paulette, at the hands of the so-called New York's finest.

If the Anti-Defamation League does not take up the case and ask for a thorough investigation of the unwarranted attacks on them, then it is failing in its duty. It may find out that Columnist Klein's account was exaggerated, that there was provocation, that the police were in danger from David and Paulette. If so, then the ADL will have at least performed the function for which it was organized.

But if it ignores this situation, it is derelict in its duty.

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The EDITOR'S CHAIR

This is the time for our annual summer comment on the relaxation of our synagogues for June, July and August.

Some few creative rabbis recognize that the summer offers opportunities not available during the rest of the year and turn these months into experimental occasions which could not properly be conducted during the other nine months, which like the school year, is the term of the active synagogue.

For this summer hiatus there is the rationalization in two steps. One is that the rabbis need the time for refreshing themselves and girding for the coming High Holy Days — quite early this year. The other is that the summer is employed for planning the activities of the coming year.

The answer we gave in previous editorials was to permit the rabbi to take a long mid-winter rest, one that would break up the heaviest part of his synagogue year and give him the same possibilities for renewal that others get by heading south. This plus a vacation in the summer would be a better deal for him than accepting that God is on vacation and thus putting synagogue activities on a shelf so to speak.

Time was when there was not too much of an alternative. The summer heat made sanctuaries unbearable. But today all are air-conditioned. In addition, the possibility for outdoor services offers another alternative that can bring out members whose last visit was at the High Holidays.

But mostly it is the novelty, the short service, the camaraderie that can make summer services the best and most successful part of the calendar, involving as they usually do more lay people.

Rabbi Allen S. Maller of Temple Akiba, Culver City, Calif. takes issue with our May 2 editorial on the high percentage of children of intermarriages who are being reared as Jews, and sends along with the following note, a reprint of his article on "Mixed Marriage and Reform Rabbis," from the Winter Issue, 1975, of Judaism.

His note reads:

Dear Gabe,
Shalom.

Your editorial referring to the "facts" of mixed marriage is wrong. The National Jewish Population survey found the great majority of its intermarried couples had only married recently. Most had no children. Of those that did, most were not of school age. Of those of school age, the great majority were not receiving any Jewish education. To ask a parent (Jewish) in the context of a Jewish interview how he or she plans to raise the children is not to deal with facts. For some real facts see pages 46-7 of the enclosed article.

ALLEN S. MALLER

Rabbi Maller knows of our interest in publishing the news on the intermarriage con-

cern in the Jewish community, and bringing to the Jewish public the questions involved as they arose from speeches, debates, conventions, and in articles such as Rabbi Maller's that are published. We have almost been a nag on Dr. Fred Massarik since the first time we broke the story of his research under the aegis of the Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds and have followed his work, the first extensive research on a conclusive basis ever done in the American Jewish community on all aspects of Jewish life, with some concentration of intermarriage, etc.

Rabbi Maller challenges the results of the National Jewish Population survey showing the 98 per cent of the children of Jewish wives with non-Jewish husbands are being raised as Jews. He writes, "No study of anything involving two or three roughly free choices yields a 49 to 1 majority."

OUR ANNOUNCEMENT that we might launch a campaign to plant a grove in Israel in the name of M.Z. Frank, has brought us a few checks from grateful readers, and we're inclined to proceed mostly because we feel that this is the way a publication might reward those who have made a significant contribution to its progress and also because this is one thing that M.Z., were he alive, would appreciate most.

Now although the \$650 needed for the Isaiah Wall is still not fully reached, we are asking readers to respond. One tree planted by the Jewish National Fund, which cares for them continuously, costs \$3.00, so we would appreciate it if the smaller gifts are not below this amount. However, if the grove goal is to be reached, many larger contributions will be required.

So, it is up to you readers. We hope you'll respond, and what could really be the start of a Post and Opinion forest in Israel might be the grove to be dedicated to M.Z. Frank.

WHAT WELL COULD set a precedent was the way in which Dr. and Mrs. Donald K. Adler are observing their 25th wedding anniversary. Instead of a festive celebration, the couple has made a grant to Congregation Beth Shalom, of Lawrence, Long Island, for a weekend of study. Beginning with a dinner and Friday night services, the weekend which brought Milton Himmelfarb as scholar in residence, included a Saturday afternoon lecture and a Sunday morning breakfast and lecture. Over a thousand people participated, Rabbi Gilbert Klaperman tells us.

BEFORE ANYONE COMPLAINS, the headline in last week's paper on the small news item to the effect that "Close Vote Retains Mixed Seating" was as anyone reading it would soon learn, an error — on this writer's part. The verb should have been "rejects" instead of "retains."

Some Reveries As The Religious School Year Ends

By RABBI MAURICE DAVIS

With this weekend our Temple Religious Schools draws to a



Davis

The classrooms will gradually be cleaned and set in order and locked until the fall. The school office will be busy itself with all the wrapup details that are left, before beginning to prepare for next year.

ALL OF THIS in greater or lesser detail is going on throughout the country. It is the time of the deep sigh, and saying, "That's that!"

Except...

I watch the youngsters leaving and I have a strange sinking

feeling inside me.

What am I afraid of? That the summer will be wasteful? Or that the year itself has been wasted. I know that my fear is the latter.

It's so hard to measure. Was the year's experience meaningful? Has their perception of Judaism matured, or improved, or grown?

DID WE GET so bogged down in details that the larger picture was lost? Do we really know what we want to accomplish? Do we know the best way to do it?

These, and more, keep pointing their fingers at me, and I am not sure I know how to answer.

I only know that we cannot stand still, depending on yesterday's techniques or yesterday's mores. Our concepts may not totally change, but the setting in which we confront them has.

I know that we cannot settle for form without substance, or substance without form; we

have to teach children. And we have to teach well.

I WONDER if we let them know how much we love this faith of ours? I wonder if we let them know how much we love them?

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Israel Seeks U.S. Tax Men

JERUSALEM — If you are a Jewish tax man, then Israel wants you.

The Jewish Agency is seeking 400 U.S. Jewish tax experts because of an acute shortage of tax collectors here. Pinhas Sapir, chairman of the Jewish Agency, announced that he had sent a special emissary to the United States to search for revenue men and offer them inducements to move to Israel.

What Israel Must Do In Wake Of Scandals

By SAMSON KRUPNICK

A wise Talmudic sage 2,000 years ago had already pinpointed the basic cause of crime — "It is not the mouse that is the thief but rather the hole provided."



Krupnick

The very same relationship remains cogent today when applied to the analysis for the sudden mushrooming of the "white collar" economic crimes upon the Israeli scene. Small creeping "crimes" had been gradually taken for granted here for many years. Israelis had accepted quite readily the concept of the efficacy of "vitamin P" (protektzia). They had also adjusted to the petty thievery involved in bypassing the sky-high income tax by accepting (with the Government's tacit approval) subterfuges, as unjustified car allowances, unused travel allowances, unworn uniform allowances, thirteen-month salary payments, etc. as well as by moonlighting, understating incomes in retail cash businesses and professions, and by countless and varied incentive payments relative to exports, tourism, etc.

IN SHORT, a society had developed that had gradually made peace with the corrosion of the idealism of earlier years and which had attuned its morality to lower concepts of right and wrong.

Moreover, the circumstances under which Israel had been forced to develop in the past 27 years, as in the days of Ezra and Nehemiah with sword in one hand and building tool in the other, combined with the mass aliya and its attendant problems, confusions and adjustments, have tended further to tarnish the idyllic image of the "kingdom of priests and the holy people" through the many forced compromises with principles in the desperate and unending quest for the needed funds to enable

the State to assume its manifold functions.

In several previous columns we have discussed the results and the implications of these conditions under which Israel must operate in perpetual emergencies. They explain somewhat the traumatic shock reaching to the most sensitive nerve within the nation upon the realization that economic crimes had become a part of the local scene in Israel as well.

TRUE, THEY WERE NOT YET the norm here — far from it. Actually since the Yom Kippur War of 1973, some 1,000 police files had been opened on suspects of economic crimes, but as of today in Israel's nine prisons with a total population of 2,216, only 25 are being held on charges of economic crimes and only seven are serving sentences for committing such crimes. Although the press and the media have blown the various incidents considerably out of proportion, the situation has nevertheless become serious enough to require immediate correction in many related areas. Obviously the systems of internal control in Government, Histadrut and in private enterprises alike are woefully inadequate.

This serious shortcoming has been reported publicly and repeatedly by the State Comptroller. He had gone so far as to state an estimated resulting loss from inefficiency and waste of as high as IL 1 billion annually. These reports have been widely publicized but nevertheless largely ignored by the various Ministries. Public funds have long been handled much too loosely and without the required independent audits.

THEN TOO, the overconcentration of power in a single official, the Director-General, has provided opportunities galore for misdeeds. The time lag in bookkeeping procedures and the resulting tardiness of certified audit reports have contributed further to a colossal inefficiency that has in effect provided the huge aperture through which many "mice" could and have

scurried. The wonder of it is that more of these economic crimes have not been committed.

Recently both the Prime Minister and the Minister of Finance have called for a complete reassessment of another soft spot in the economy — the Histadrut Trade Union structure, categorized by them as "a throwback to the medieval guild system," wherein production is secondary in importance to term of service, where promotion is automatic and where efficiency is of no consequence.

THE ENTIRE employment — wage system, linkage to cost of living index reimbursement, tenure, etc. must be reviewed and refitted to a modern economy. The housecleaning must be thorough and much more comprehensive. The new efficiency required by the Common Market Agreement effective July 1 constitutes the first incentive. A second is the new Ben Shazar Commission tax law eliminating the fake allowances and subterfuges from tax exemption.

A third ought to be the legislating of "teeth" to the State Comptroller reports for some practical method of enforcing recommendations that go ignored from annual report to annual report. A fourth must be a clear-cut clarification of the functions of an executive officer such as the Director-General and their strict limitation to day-to-day operations leaving policy making and supervision in the hands of an active Board of Directors with a responsible chairman in command.

A FIFTH should be regular periodic audits by independent accounting firms with more careful scrutinizing and more strict audit procedures involving basic independent checking on a current basis. Many more such recommendations are in order. They can be summarized in the all-inclusive concept — a return to the ideals of Israel's founding fathers — that the burden of building and maintaining a State is everybody's business.

INTERPRETING HALACHAH

Rabbi Silver Told One Opinion Meaningless

By RABBI A. BLUMENTHAL

My friend Rabbi Sam Silver in my not-so-humble opinion is guilty of a serious misrepresentation of the halachah. As a Reform member of the Central Conference of American Rabbis, he is free to do anything that pleases him about intermarriages. When however, he contends that "what I do in marriages is in keeping with the thrust and spirit of halachah", he departs from the area of freedom of action which his Reform ordination conferred upon him and attempts to enter the sphere of scholarship and that is an entirely different territory.

ONE NEEDS no more than his own opinion to justify any act. Rabbi Silver has a right to say "I think that it is important for a rabbi to officiate at intermarriages." I disagree with him, and there might be some point in debating the subject. But the halachah is not a barren desert. It has a long history, a vast literature, mountains of decisions compiled over centuries of Jewish living. In addition many expert and knowledgeable contemporary people, Orthodox, Conservative and Reform are active in the field, and there is considerable consensus among them.

There is little difference of opinion among experts about

tracing the verdicts of the halachah in the past about marriage practices, or about projecting the thrust of all these accumulated decisions as indicators of what the present position of the halachah is and ought to be on the subject.

Freedom Of The Press

Refusing A Jewish Ceremony Drives Couples Away: Silver

Editor, POST and OPINION:

Prof. Petuchowski, with whom I have been discussing the question of providing a Jewish marriage ceremony for a mixed couple, is quibbling.

I stated that his intimation that Jewish law is fixed was false.

I cited the fact that the legality of a marriage ceremony by so prestigious a person as the Ashkenazic Chief Rabbi of Israel is questioned by his colleagues.

The professor replied that the cleavage between Orthodox authorities is personal and political.

That is not so. The debate is over halachah, and the debate proves that there is a wide divergence within halachah. As one Israeli commentator put it, "If the Ashkenazic rabbi says it's day, the Sephardic one says it's night."

I assert that I too am entitled to my view, and that view is that the spirit of halachah fa-

RABBI SILVER knows that neither his ordination, nor mine, nor that of any Orthodox rabbi necessarily confers competence in any area of Jewish scholarship, whether it be halachah, history, Bible, medieval Hebrew poetry, philosophy, etc. etc.

vors what I do: provide a Jewish ceremony for a mixed couple.

Then the professor says the ceremony is not so important.

It may not be to him, but to the families involved it is crucial.

What happens at the ceremony is often the very factor which determines what future religious course the couple will pursue.

I was booted out of the New York Board of Rabbis and criticized in the Central Conference of American Rabbis by zealots who said I was not concerned about the survival of Judaism.

That too is false. I am as deeply eager for the survival of Judaism as my critics. I humbly submit, however, that if you say no to a couple who wants a Jewish ceremony you don't have much of a chance to keep them within the orbit of Judaism.

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Competence must be proven, and there are scholars in the area of halachah whose competence is beyond question by fair-minded men.

One man's opinion in this area is a meaningless assertion if it is not supported by the scholarship of others who possess recognized competence in the field. Who, Sam, are the scholars in halachah whose definition of "the thrust and spirit of the halachah" forms the basis of your assertion?

AND DON'T OFFER to debate the matter. Whether 2 plus 2 equals 5 is not a debatable proposition, and who is the cleverer debater is totally irrelevant.

You have made a contention about the thrust and spirit of the halachah. Prove it, or withdraw it.

Rabbi Blumenthal will be happy to answer questions. He can be reached at 6666 Chetwood Ave., Apt. 247, Houston, Tex. 77036.

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On The Synagogue Scene

Indiana Temple Tackles A Tough Problem

By MYRON SCHOEN

Much of the negative reaction to organized religion has been based upon the factor of size. The cry that our synagogues have become huge, impersonal institutions has been as frequent as the complaints about the massive buildings and the staggering costs involved.

Is the larger congregation necessarily a more impersonal one? Is the failure to create a sense of community within our synagogues the result of membership rosters that run into the hundreds of thousands? No doubt size plays a role but if you read the bulletin of Sinai Temple Congregation, Michigan City, Ind., it seems that the problem may not be exclusively one related to bigness.

SINAI TEMPLE isn't a large one nor are there thousands of Jewish families in the area of Michigan City, Ind. Yet they

found it wise to launch a "Project Communication" in an obvious effort to do something about one of the most pressing problems facing the contemporary synagogues and the Jewish community. The outline of this undertaking, coordinated by Dick and Karen Gutterman, indicates that they have a firm grasp of the elements of the problem and the prospect of doing something about it.

Most of the attempts to create a sense of "community" within the synagogue founder because of a failure to appreciate the basic elements that vitiate against making the typical congregation a true community of Jews. Sinai Temple Congregation began by isolating the problems and then dividing up its 125 members into ten groups to ponder and discuss their implications. They initiated this effort following a Friday evening worship service with the ten groups meeting in member's homes.

MAKING THE HOME the base for the group discussion was in itself an important beginning because it emphasized that the synagogue and the home are part and parcel of the problem and a major link in creating a sense of community and improving communication.

What were the essential elements that had to be faced up to? "What can we do to make newcomers welcome, without neglecting those who have been with us for many years?"

Here is an area that has caused much trouble for congregations, large and small. Those long associated with the synagogue often feel they are pushed aside as newcomers come to the fore and assume elected and appointed positions in the congregation. We must never forget the contributions of the "founding families" while at the same time we have to encourage the later arrivals on the scene to play an active role in the synagogue's affairs.

"HOW CAN WE BUILD bridges between the young, the

middle-aged and the old?" Too many congregations tend to become type-cast. One synagogue seems to be the haven for the elderly while another appears to be dominated by those in the middle years who have children attending religious and Hebrew school. At the other extreme is the congregation that is composed exclusively of the very young families who project a life style that repels others from joining its ranks. In addition, Sinai Temple Congregation recognized that there are differences between "economic and social status" and that these can act as a deterrent to creating a sense of community and cause a breakdown in communication.

An even more complex problem was considered by the members of this congregation.

"IS IT POSSIBLE to form family units in the congregation, particularly for people who have no local family of their own, so that everyone has friends he can turn to in times of need?" Here Sinai Temple Congregation was facing up to one of the gravest issues of the latter part of the 20th century and one that bedevils not only the synagogue and the Jewish community but society as a whole.

Whether this congregation finds the answers they've certainly highlighted the questions and ably summed it up by asking, "Are there specific programs which we can add to our present structure in order to promote greater closeness between our people?"

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Obituary

I. H. Hellman

LOS ANGELES — I. H. Hellman, founder of the City of Hope and Cedars of Lebanon hospitals, died here at the age of 92. He was a former vice president of the Bank of America in Los Angeles.

Not For Children Only

By YISRAEL WISE

UNMIX AND MATCH THE FACTS

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| 1) R A Y I | A) One of the 10 minors |
| 2) A K L A A B | B) Writes on synagogue management. |
| 3) G A G I H A | C) "Jerusalem Day" in this month |
| 4) D A G | D) Mentioned before Asher |
| 5) H C O S N E | E) "Mysticism" |

MINHAG YISROEL: JEWISH CUSTOM

GETTING UP — The first line in the Shulchan Aruch, the Code of Jewish Law, states: "One should strengthen himself like a lion in order to arise in the morning and to do the work of his Creator." Some mornings you just wish you could turn over on the other side and stay in bed all day. But one must be grateful for the opportunity a new day brings. Since our soul departs from us at night, our body is left open to all types of uncleanness. You might say the foulness of one's breath in the morning illustrates this. So we wash our hands and recite the blessing "Al n'tilat yadayimo." Another blessing we recite is known as "Asher ya-tzar" which thanks G-d for allowing us to fulfill our body's needs. You might think this isn't much to be thankful for, but witness people who have problems in this area. It truly is a miracle to be able to do so.

MILAH IVRIT: HEBREW WORD FOR . . .

EMPTY — The word is RAIK. Similarly a worthless person is known as a RAI-KA. If a person's attempts at something are in vain, namely "empty," without substance, the word is RAI-KOM.

Answers: 1)Iyar-c 2)Kabala-e 3)Haggai-a 4)Gad-d 5)Schoen-b

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Refusing A Jewish Ceremony

(Continued from Preceding Pg.) to Silver. Discount what he says. He's a humorist?"

Also a quibble is the test which Prof. Petuchowski suggests: to have Orthodox authorities say whether one of his marriages requires a get for dissolution, in contrast to those I solemnize.

I do not even recognize the need for a religious get. Does the professor? Would he refuse to marry a couple if one of them had been divorced only civilly?

I repeat that I am entitled to my view and that what I do represents no more a drastic change in Jewish practice than others which have been given a kosher stamp.

As for the references to me as a humorist, was that the professor's sly way of saying to readers, "Pay no attention

Let's remember that the opening letter in this exchange was a wildly satiric jab by the professor. His sally into the facetious did not invalidate his serious intention, any more than did the mocking tones of Elijah in the Bible.

I still think that it would be helpful if Prof. Petuchowski or one of his allies would consent to a face-to-face discussion. My challenge still stands.

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Dr. Petuchowski informs us that he does indeed recognize the need for a religious divorce, and that he refuses to marry a couple if one of them had been divorced only civilly.

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The Karliner Wedding

By RABBI SAMUEL SILVER

Not far away from a front-page banner headline about Kissinger's forcing Israel to give up territory, the *Algemeiner Journal* printed a wedding notice.



Silver

Who got married? A 20-year old rabbi, with a prestigious pedigree!

Rabbi Baruch Meir Shochet is a descendant of the founder of one of the most important of Chassidic groups: the Karliner or Stoliner (the names of two Lithuanian cities where the cult had headquarters). It was 200 years ago that the Karliner dynasty was founded by a disciple of a disciple of the Besht known as the Mezritcher maggid. The founder, known as Aaron the Great, taught joy and the need to know Mishna, and social justice.

Aaron's descendants continued to win the veneration of the Karliners. This was true even of a four-year old offspring, to whom the chassidim brought their kvitlach (petitions for help or advice).

Hitlerism brought about the death of most of the dynasts of Karlin. But one descendant came to the United States and established a yeshiva in Brooklyn.

Two American descendants, the Shochet brothers, chose not to go into the rabbinate and became merchants instead. But the son of Ezra Shochet was raised to be a rabbi. While still a Ynuka (youngster), he displayed wisdom and (in the eyes of the chassidim) marvelous powers. This youngster was the bridegroom at the wedding which brought 3,000 chassidim, some from Israel and others from the United States to the Malibu Hotel in Long Beach, N.Y. for the nuptials and the reception which lasted most of the night.

The wedding arrangements

required a compromise. The Americans wanted it here and the Israelis in Israel (where the bridegroom had studied). So the ceremony took place in Long Beach, presided over by a group of rabbis including Rabbi Moses Feinstein. The couple and followers then enplaned for Israel for a further celebration.

The 17-year old bride is a first cousin of the groom, who will return to reign over his cult in the United States. The *Journal* tells us that the machetanim, brothers, and the mothers and everyone else "kvelled" over the simcha and over the almost miraculous survival of a chassidic dynasty which almost disappeared.

Not Spokesman

Whilst vacationing in Sarasota, Fla. Jacob Reich, of the *Forward*, noted the many letters to the editor in the local paper about the Middle East. Like others, he is worried that American public opinion may veer from sympathy with Israel to the support of the oily Arabs.

He is proud of the fact that Jews are often quick in answering the so-called anti-Zionist (but in reality anti-Semitic) diatribes. Reich records his reaction to the James Reston column, which appears in the Sarasota "Herald Tribune." It will be recalled that Reston wrote about Israel's friends; in his column he called Israel the aggressor in 1967. Then, in an unusual retraction, he later apologized, conceding that Israel was provoked before the Six-day war.

But Reich feels that Reston owes his readers another apology because in his original column he cited as a spokesman of the American Jewish community I. F. Stone. Snorts Reich: that was as big an error as branding Israel aggressor.

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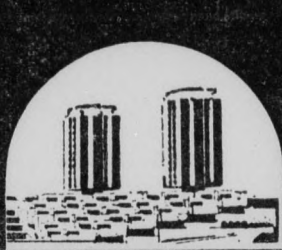
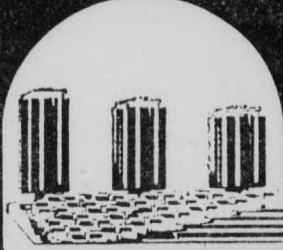
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TORAH THOUGHT

By Z. A. Hilsenrad

There is a profound affinity between faith and ethics. A person whose faith in G-d and His Torah is deep-rooted must have a high ethical standard.

For if one truly believes that everything happens by G-d's will, that there are no coincidences or chance happenings — there is then no place for envy, hatred, lust, arrogance or strife to take root. All these corrupt attributes are consumed in the flaming faith in G-d and His Torah.

IF WE SEE one who seems devout yet has evil traits — then faith is lacking. If for instance a person envies his fellow, it follows that he does not believe that all is decreed in Heaven. For the first of Maimonides' Thirteen Principles of Faith is that G-d alone "... has made, does make, and ever will make all things." If one believes this truly how can he be envious?

As a signal lesson let us consider what happened to Korach when he failed to believe in "G-d and (in the prophecy of) Moses His servant." He envied Moses and Aron; He became arrogant, believing that he was destined to dominate; he became incensed at the leaders appointed by G-d; he fomented strife in the Jewish camp; he scoffed at the Torah of Moses with such questions as: does a Talis made entirely of blue threads need Tzitzis? Does a house full of sacred texts still need a Mezuzah on the doorposts? This latter was dangerously close to denying G-d.

THIS IS HOW a person can sink to the abyss of atheism if he is missing the first foundation of pure faith in G-d and in the prophecy of Moses His Servant.

The Gemara (Baba Basra 74a) relates that some of our Sages of blessed memory were traveling in the desert and heard from the depth of the earth the voices of Korach and his co-conspirators whom the earth swallowed proclaim, "Moses and his Torah are true and we are liars."

This cry can be heard only in the quiet desert. In the turbulent strident city the furious chase after vanities drowns out the voices which thunder from the abyss:

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Awaiting The Archeologists

By MARTIN MOSKOVITZ

Some people who aren't too fond of us, gave us an umbrella stand shaped like an elephant for our anniversary. After two weeks of moving it around where it would be least conspicuous, we finally moved it outside to the curb to await trash removal day.



TRASH REMOVAL DAY came and there was a knock on our door. "You sure you want to throw this away, mister?" two of the trash men asked, one holding the elephant by the trunk and the other by the tail.

To avoid a lengthy explanation, I thanked them for their concern and buried the elephant in our back yard.

And then there was the time our youngest daughter inadvertently barbecued some cheese blintzes on our portable outside grille used only for fleishchdick. But rather than go into the intricacies of kashrut with the trash men, I buried the grille next to the elephant.

CENTURIES FROM NOW archeologists are going to poke around where our house stood. I'm sure they're going to figure out the umbrella stand and the grille. But I know darn well they'll be stumped by that two foot high menorah made out of wood by my niece in her all girl woodworking class and given to us as a gift.

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Probably the most famous political refugee of our time is Alexander Solzhenitsyn, the brilliant Russian novelist. Having been exiled from his Motherland for his independent utterances, he is now able to speak out to the entire world without his voice being muffled by censors.

In the past, his work had been smuggled, a few dozen pages at a time, out of Russia. It was then published in the western world. The revenue from the sale of his books has been accumulating, even as the collection of the Nobel Prize for Literature has had to wait until Solzhenitsyn had left Russia.

WITH ALL OF THIS, he did not leave his country of his own volition. He was booted out. Although he spent almost 20 years as a political prisoner at one or another of the slave labor camps, he still loves the land of his birth. He described the camps mentioned above in such books as "One Day in the Life of Ivan Denisovich" and "First Circle." When you read them you realize that he was always in tune with the common people of Russia; it is only the rulers whom he holds in contempt.

In his much heralded "Gulag Archipelago" a work of non-fiction, Solzhenitsyn tells of the chain of concentration camps whose existence dots the map of the USSR. Like the pustules of smallpox can blemish a face, so the camps have scarred the Russian countryside. With the blood, sweat and tears that was shed by the millions who have been incarcerated in these inhuman institutions, the slave labor force has built the Moscow subway, office and apartment buildings and dug canals and harbors.

THE AUTHOR TRACES THE METHODS used in arresting and questioning prisoners in his country throughout modern times. He also discusses the physical set-up of prisons and cells, the care and feeding of inmates and their transportation to and between the camps. Present day Russia will perhaps never have a more terrible indictment than this author's.

One of the shocking things (and there are many) about Soviet Russia is that the treatment of its prisoners after the revolution was even worse than what it was under the most tyrannical of the Tsars. Thus, the imprisonment of Alexander I. Solzhenitsyn and the years that he spent in penal institutions were filled with more cruelty than were those of the father of Soviet Russia, V.I. Lenin.

THERE IS AN AMAZINGLY SPIRITUAL QUALITY in all of Solzhenitsyn's writings; amazing because we tend to associate Russians with lack of religious feeling inasmuch as their government is certainly anti-organized religion. This we Jews know only too well. But, perhaps man's finest emotions will always be considered "religious." The author of "Gulag Archipelago" obviously loves his fellows and has a deep reverence for nature and for the handwork of his Creator.

Solzhenitsyn attempts to document the over 50 years of inhumanity of man to man. We are told of fellow prisoners, both famous and humble. There is a valiant attempt to make some sense out of the sentences handed down by the Russian courts but the author and the reader are unable to find any logic.

AS FOR THE BOOK, while it cannot be called either easy or escape reading, it is well worth the effort. To me, Solzhenitsyn is the greatest living author. To me, he is superior even to his fellow Russian, Tolstoi. The book, "Gulag Archipelago" is a deeply moving work. It reveals the beautiful philosophy of the very special man who wrote it.

Reform Gains New Members

NEW YORK — A one to two Congregations, Rabbi Alexander per cent increase in member- M. Schindler, UAHC president, ship in Reform congregations, told his board that the shift arresting a decade-long decline, indicates the "upward swing for has been reported by the Union Jewish religious identity and of American Hebrew affiliation."

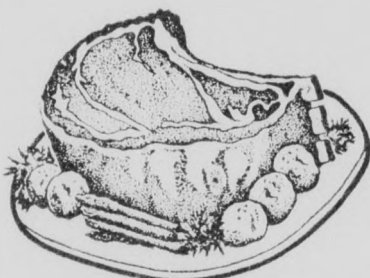


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By Dr. Rose Franzblau

Wife's Secret Bank Account

QUESTION

I have been married 25 years to a wonderful woman. We have a very happy marriage, wonderful children and grandchildren.



We get along exceedingly well. But one thing bothers me.

When we married, I put all my money in a joint bank account, with both our names. All our securities are also in both our names, and all my insurance is made out to her. We agreed that I was to pay all the bills, and that she was to get a much more than adequate food allowance and could also buy any extras she wanted.

I DO NOT DRINK, smoke, or waste money in any way. Whenever I have any money left over, I bank it for our future. Recently I found out that she has a bank account under her own name. I was very surprised.

I have not approached her on the subject, but have discussed it with many people. The answer they all give is that's the way women usually behave.

My question is, why is she so happy to chisel money from me, but never tells me when she has money left over?

Why does she keep her savings from my money a secret from me?

ANSWER

Today, to be the parents and grandparents of happily married children makes a couple feel younger than their years. Associating meaningfully with their grandchildren and spending time with them keeps them abreast of things and makes them young in heart and alive in spirit.

Although the couple have been married many years and feel they know each other like nobody does, the re-adjustment in their lives which takes place at this time gives them a chance to renew and refresh their love and companionship giving up of the old, but a with each other. It is not a continuation and extension of their loving regard for each other.

HOWEVER, now that they are alone, some people wonder how they will get along with no children around to fill their lives. The husband, at this time, may also feel that his wife has a greater dependence on him than ever. He now has to take on the job of filling her life while he is still engaged full-time on his regular job.

Sharing your earnings and financial holdings the way you did, was, to you, a manifestation of the great love you felt for

her. She reciprocated by creating a loving home and family and evidently giving you all the attention you wanted. However, the way you set up her allowance for household food may have seemed like an inconsistency.

EVERYTHING was joint and open and free-wheeling except this one item which you handed over to her like an allowance that a youngster gets while growing up. She may have found it hard to understand why she couldn't use your joint accounts for the purposes of running the house, just as you used it for all other purposes. It may have seemed to her like a restriction placed upon her, not as far as money is concerned, but in your trust in her to handle this area as responsibly as she had all other areas.

Psychologically, what bothers you is that these secret savings will give her an independence to be on her own, should she ever want to. On the other hand, she may be saving this money for both of you, and perhaps for a loving gift to you on an occasion like an important wedding anniversary.

THIS IS probably not the first time that you went behind your wife's back to find out things, and then talk about her to others. Even though she may not know all the facts, she probably suspects that this has been going on all through the years. Actually, her secret savings are as nothing compared to this behavior on your part.

The people you asked these questions of evidently gave you the answer you wanted, mainly, that women cannot be trusted.

To reassure yourself that your wife is really loving and loyal to you and has been throughout your happy marriage, you ought to bring up the subject of these savings directly and then discuss this matter with her. You should admit perhaps you were wrong in what you have been doing, but that she left clues around to make you suspicious. By working out the problem to which each of you contributed, both of you will then change the behavior which is offensive to the partner.

This is the way to make the next 35 years of your marriage even happier and more fulfilling.

Just Between Us

Happy Father's Day

By HELEN MINTZ

Today's column is dedicated to all the "better halves." Let's give credit where credit is due.



Helen

Men, it's your turn Sunday to receive all the artsy craftsy gifts your children have lovingly made in grade school. It's your turn to get back the Father's Day cards saved from last year and the same bottle of cologne re-wrapped for another year of giving.

IF YOU'VE entertained any doubts or misgivings about being loved or needed during the year, this day reaffirms it all. Father's Day should be the culmination of a year's worth of expressed love that has been done out by a family on a daily basis. Like a bank account that earns interest with each deposit, their respect and affection is the best balance that can add up, with a predictable dividend.

This present has no price tag attached. It can't be bought, but it certainly can be returned. If every father seriously thought about returning a present that took his family 365 days to accumulate, rest assured the American family would be on a more secure footing. Expression of love and loyalty to him should be part of our daily living.

WE WANT YOU to remember, it's nice to have a man around the house. One genuine compliment, one admiring glance, one gentle word of encouragement can get any family through the bleakest of days.

The father is needed not just as a provider of the necessities of life, but as an anchor to offer stability. He contributes that balance of opinion so necessary to making a right decision. He's a stabilizer when things get out of hand. He's needed and expected to set fine examples for your children to emulate as they grow up.

GIRLS SEE their reflection in the eyes of their father. Their approval or disapproval influences to a large degree how they will mature, react to life and a future mate. Boys instinctively fashion themselves after their father, astute at seeing their weakness or strength, as the case might be.

A husband and father brings solidarity and a family feeling that says all's right with the world. Dad will take care of the frustrations and hurts that we are all heir to. A husband and father cannot take a back seat in the life of his family.

BEING the breadwinner is not enough. A father's commitment must be more. It must be vocal, physical, spiritual and viable. It's a big job they shoulder. Just remember, they've only gotten "on the job training," and they do the best they can.

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Reform Rabbis Want More Discussion Of Peace Options

CINCINNATI (P-O) — As the Reform rabbis began to arrive here for their 86th annual convention, they had before them resolutions which would give to women much greater roles in the movement, and in addition to a resolution that would permit membership from rabbis belonging to other rabbinical groups, a reconsideration of the Jewish position in zero population growth (ZPG).

ADMISSION OF, FOR INSTANCE, members of the Rabbinical Assembly into the Central Conference of American Rabbis would be permissible under the proposed constitutional change which will come up for a vote. The vote was tabled at the 1974 convention in Israel.

Another significant resolution which will be considered asks for greater dis-

cussion in the American Jewish Community of "various alternatives to bringing about peace." It calls on the Reform movement to "sponsor forums for open discussion of divergent points of view... including options for solution of the Palestinian problems..."

POINTING TO the "problem of Jews embracing the concept of ZPG," a resolution would direct the CCAR to "examine this issue and prepare a workable philosophy for our consideration."

The call for greater roles for women goes so far as to "show sensitivity to the feelings and needs of women by eliminating male-oriented language from the liturgy."

Planned By AJCommittee

Controlled Study Of Intermarriage

KANSAS CITY — A controlled study to find out what really happens as a result of intermarriage will be made by the American Jewish Committee, its national director of Jewish Communal Affairs told a meeting of the local chapter here.

ACCORDING TO the Kansas City Jewish Chronicle, Yehuda Rosenman said the scientific, controlled study would select a number of communities in order to get a cross-section of data on the question of intermarriage.

He revealed that of the 5.8

million Jews in the United States, that figure would drop to 4.4 million if intermarried households are excluded.

HE ALSO REVEALED that the rate of conversion of non-Jews to Judaism has decreased in recent years.

As to the quality of Jewish life of non-Jews who intermarry, he said that it often makes them stronger Jews, and added that Jewish mates are now socially accepted in non-Jewish circles, terming this latter a positive sign of better intergroup relations.

NOT LEADERS

But Fundraisers

TEL AVIV — Israel is fostering as leaders abroad people who are good fundraisers but who do "not have the qualities of thinkers and leaders."

This was stated by Tamar Eshel, the professional head of Pioneer Women, speaking here on a panel on the crisis in immigration to Israel.

Religion Studies In Schools

DAYTON, O. (P-O) — The Public Education Religion Studies Center at Wright State University here is going national to promote the legal study of religion in the public schools with the blessing of Rabbi Samuel Sandmel who teaches Jewish-Christian relations and about early Christianity at Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute, Cincinnati.

Dr. Sandmel is chairman of PERSC's professional advisory council and urges those who can to help it in a fund crisis needing \$150,000 for three years while developing into a national organization.

The organization, he explains, is a response to public school educators who want to teach about religion as a valid part of the human experience and to do it within the guidelines set by U.S. Supreme Court decisions.

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Concessions By Israel Seen

WASHINGTON, D.C. — Whether Israel will continue her conciliatory stand evidenced by the withdrawal of half her Sinai forces for approximately 20 miles or whether as announced in Jerusalem Premier Yitzhak Rabin brought no additional proposals with him here will be manifested in the announcement to be made following his meetings with President Ford and Secretary of State Kissinger.

IN VIEW OF THE FACT that Mr. Ford declared satisfaction with Egypt's position following his meetings with President Sadat, it is almost incomprehensible to diplomatic observers here that some Israeli peace moves will not be discussed, with Israel making the concessions. The question is what Egypt is willing to pay for these concessions and if the bargain can be consummated. The chances are, high-placed officials say, is that it can and will be, thus providing a breather for both sides.

Israel is not asking for too much more — only the length of time of whatever interim accord is reached. That was a major stumbling block in Mr. Kissinger's shuttle mission. Israel is aiming for a three-to-five year status for the United Nations forces between her troops and Egyptian army in the Sinai, and will possibly settle for the shorter period.

THIS ACCEPTANCE BY EGYPT and some "symbolic" acts toward peace would then make it possible to meet Sadat's condition — ceding of the two passes in the Sinai, Mitli and Gidi, and return of the Abu Rodeis oil fields to Egypt.

If nothing so definitive matures here, then enough progress may be made so that Mr. Kissinger sees a good possibility for an agreement and will essay another shuttle effort. Failing at least that, tensions will mount and the status quo ante will obtain, which means continuation of threats, the propaganda battle and recurrent crises.

Egyptians Not Missing Any Bets

CAIRO — Egyptian advertising firms are not missing any bets in the opening of the Suez Canal.

They are offering manufacturers billboards along the waterway. The advertising firm of Societe Egyptienne de

Publicite is soliciting manufacturers worldwide to buy space on the billboards.

Another related phenomenon is the way in which Egyptian firms try to identify their products with those known throughout the world by using trade names that are almost similar. For instance, one can purchase Heimz ketchup and Tetex tissues.

Reconstructionists Complete Circle

NEW YORK — Formation of a Reconstructionist Rabbinical Association completes the move started a few years back with establishment of its rabbinical college in Philadelphia. The new rabbinical association takes its place alongside the Central Conference of American Rabbis (Reform), the Rabbinical Assembly (Conservative), and the Rabbinical Council (Orthodox) and other U.S. rabbinical bodies.

Cannibalism Justification Seen In Abortion Ruling

By MAURICE SCHAPIRO

CINCINNATI (P-O) — Rabbi Chaim Keller, dean of Telshe Yeshiva of Chicago, predicted that some day cannibalism might be justified on legal grounds if nine old men today can justify abortion and pornography. He spoke at the Tri-Synagogue Forum at Roselawn Synagogue here.

The noted Talmud scholar predicted something would come out of the chaos the world finds itself in — that God has a plan to bring man back and that the human being is not unsalvageable. He pointed out that the proof of God is the fact that 600,000 Jews witnessed him at Sinai on top of the mountain talking to Moses and giving him the Ten Commandments which we are expected to obey. "This witness was reported from father to son until this day and if we are not to believe our fathers, whom would we believe?" he asked.

RABBI KELLER denounced abortion just because a woman happens to have children by a score of different fathers. He charged that woman's privacy is invaded and we are given legal permission to kill.

He said Torah was a law to last forever and yet the divorce rate is nearing 50 per cent in many communities though fortunately the rate of Jewish divorce is much lower than the average. He said the Torah was given us by God because we were thinking beings. He did not create it for the donkey we rode on. Still Rabbi Keller heard there are Jews who would say we must be fair with the Arabs.

HE SAID those who question whether there is a God who created the heavens and the earth are like those who question whether we placed men on the moon. They see it with their own eyes and the whole world acknowledges it but they still doubt.

Rabbi Keller claimed Jews don't have as wide a choice as their fellowmen because they know they are not groping in the darkness, they know they have a God to guide them, and his commandments to obey.

Rabbi Marvin Needle of Roselawn Synagogue, presided and expressed the humility he felt at drinking at the fount of wisdom of such a great scholar.

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At five feet six inches and 126 pounds Harold Charles Solomon is the smallest of the world's top tennis players but he looms very large in skill.



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He made quite a run recently in the \$160,000 World Championship Tennis Red Group tournament at Houston, upsetting Stan Smith along the way. He has been a member of the U.S. Davis Cup team since 1972 and at 22 is still a "comer" on the tennis trail.

"WHEN I WAS A YOUNG KID I would often lie awake at night thinking about dying without anyone ever knowing I existed," Solomon once mused. "I think now maybe people would know I had lived."

It's debatable how much "immortality" is conferred by tennis skill, but there's little question Solomon figures to stir up at least fleeting fame for the next few years.

Tennis is America's boom sport of the mid-'70s and Solomon should be riding the crest as open play has made it a financial bonanza for the adept.

SOLOMON ALREADY RANKS among the top Jewish tennis players produced in this country, and is one of the few of his religion ever to have become a member of the Davis Cup team.

Three years ago, after the horror of the Munich Olympics, Romanian police guarded Solomon during the Davis Cup matches at Bucharest. There was fear of a possible move by Arab terrorists against Solomon.

Solomon plays tennis almost as much cerebrally as physically. His arsenal includes groundstrokes, looped drives, and a variety of lobs that he groups together as "moonballs" and showers on opponents all day long.

ONE OBSERVER COMMENTED: "He will rally forever to set up an attacking shot, and more than one opponent has complained that Solly bored him to death even before his passing shots made the demise final."

The "moonball" was his big weapon when he defeated Spain's Juan Gisbert in the key second match of the Davis Cup semifinals in 1972. The same tactic did in Mexico's Raul Ramirez in 1973 as the U.S. won the North American Zone finals.

"Solomon's a great player and very tough to beat," said Ramirez. "You have to play him from the back court because he passes you if you go to the net."

SOLOMON RELIES on a two-handed backhand but his approach to it is his own. He draws the racket back like a baseball player coiling into a backswing and smashes the ball across the net like a line drive.

His game has been advancing year by year. In 1972 he reached the quarterfinals of the French Open on his first attempt and in 1974 he was a semi-finalist, beating defending champion Ilie Nastase.

Not that 1974 started out well. He lost the critical match to Jairo Velasco in the U.S. Davis Cup loss to Colombia in Bogota. Things improved after that.

HE RECORDED his first major victory in the \$40,000 Washington Star-News International just a few miles from where he grew up in Silver Springs, Md. He ended Guillermo Villa's 15-match post-Wimbledon winning streak in the final.

Solomon in '74 was also runner-up to Rod Laver in the Volvo International and to Jimmy Connors in the Pacific Southwest Open.

Solomon comes by his tennis skills by design.

His father, Leonard, a Washington businessman, built a court in the backyard at the family house in Silver Springs, Md., and opened a second business in Florida so the family could play tennis year-round.

HAROLD HAS BEEN PLAYING since he was five years old. His father and mother, Roslyn, both play and younger brother Mark and sister Shelly are nationally ranked in their age categories.

The tennis courts have become Solomon's lecture hall. He dropped out of Rice University in Texas after his second year to turn pro.

His philosophy is direct: "Confidence is 90 per cent of the game, and most days I have it."

Keep an eye on his rise with that two-fisted backhand, described as a "grave-digger's stroke." He may be the best Jewish tennis player yet.

Stone Unveiled For Ted Lurie

JERUSALEM — On the occasion of the first anniversary of his death, a tombstone was unveiled in memory of Ted R. Lurie, former editor of The Jerusalem Post who died while attending an international press meeting in Tokyo at the age

of 64. While family, colleagues and friends gathered around, speakers extolled the virtues of the newspaperman who took over the reins of the only English-language paper in the Middle East from its founder, Gershon Agron, who like Lurie was an American.

ATHLETES

Which Are Jews?

NEW YORK — The problem of trying to determine which athletes are Jewish is plaguing the Jewish Sports Review, bi-monthly magazine.

When it called Dave Wohl of the Houston Rockets Jewish, it got mail which seemed to indicate that while his father was Jewish his mother was not.

Then where was John Brodie, ex-49'er quarterback. When the publication wrote to the 49'ers for verification, they were referred to Brodie's business manager, who at the time of publication, had not responded. Also a letter to Brodie remained unanswered, and that is where that stands.

Sabbath Shopping Lack Of Sensitivity

PITTSBURGH — The Rabbinical Board of Greater Pittsburgh has taken a full page ad in The Jewish Chronicle here as a plea against shopping on the Sabbath.

Headed a "Plea to The Jewish Community," the advertisement quotes from Exodus XX: 8-11, on remembering the Sabbath day to keep it holy, and then lists eight points, including:

"A senseless and callous assault on the distinctive spiritual image of the Jew.

"A complete lack of sensitivity to and respect for the Jewish life-style of the observant Jewish community.

"Certainly in this advanced age of advanced technological methods for the preservation of food there is no excuse for shopping on Shabbat."

Abstention By Canada Hit

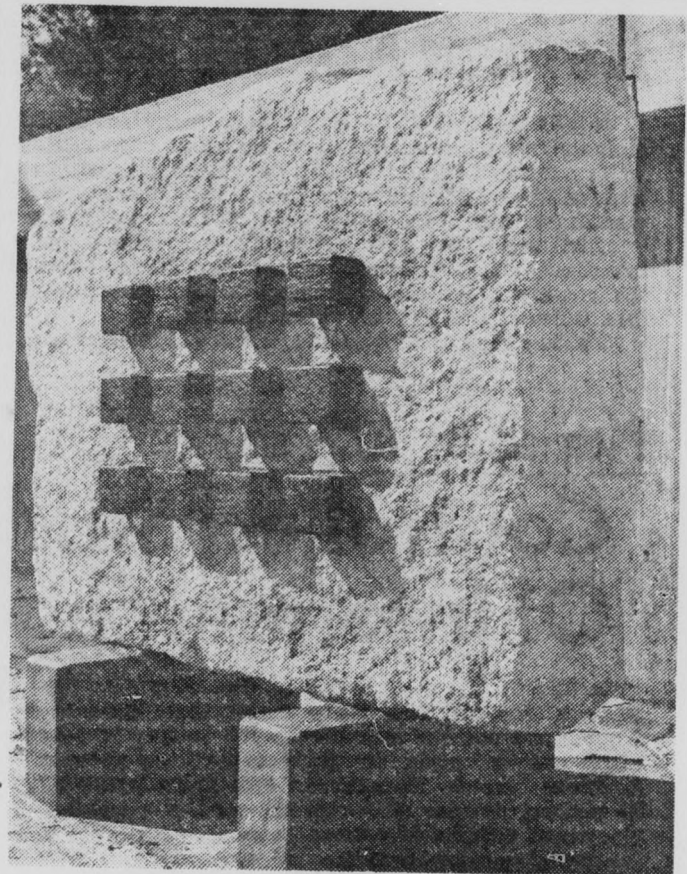
TORONTO — A strong attack on the Canadian Government for abstaining instead of voting against the condemnation of Israel by the World Health Assembly was voiced here by Sydney M. Harris, president of the Canadian Jewish Congress.

He said that the action "to simply abstain is a coward's way out."

While 25 nations abstained, only four joined Israel in opposing the Arab motion. They were the United States, Uruguay, Costa Rica and Bolivia.

BOOKLET ON GENTILES

JERUSALEM — A booklet distributed by the Israel Army which asserts that mistrust of Gentiles is rooted in religious tradition, has been withdrawn. It was written by Israel Defense Forces Central Command Chaplain Rabbi Avraham Avidan. A new booklet which reflects the opposite view as recorded in halachah has been issued.



BREASTPLATE OF AARON

The Breastplate of Aaron is the name of the sculpture placed in the courtyard of the Technion University Synagogue. It is by Israeli sculptor Zvi Alouby whose works are prized not only in Israel but also in Europe, Canada and Australia. The massive rectangle of Hebron stone is inlaid with bronze and was commissioned by Ludwig Jesselson of New York who also contributed the synagogue.

POSTING the News

*** gathered by Jewish Post & Opinion Correspondents

THE GOVERNMENT OF YITZHAK RABIN today faces the most serious crisis of its existence. Sections of the Labor Party have seceded to join the new party, Yaad; Rabin is subjected to sniping by Abba Eban both in Israel and abroad; his policies are being criticized by his own friends; his appointments are being questioned; his apparent lack of activity in the face of Israel's financial scandals, all contribute to a weakening of his political situation. Against this background, it is felt, he is in no position to come to any major agreement with President Ford. Washington may prefer to wait and deal with the next Prime Minister.

DAVID BEN-GURION, who chose to live in a modest hut in Sdeh Boker, and avoided all luxury and ostentatiousness, is probably turning over in his grave as he learns (before public announcement) that the grandiose building being planned to house his archives will cost a minimum of IL.40,000,000 to construct.

THE RECENT ANNOUNCEMENT that Meir Shamgar has been appointed new Justice of the Israel Supreme Court did not come as a surprise to those who recall that the news was first broken in this corner on February 28.

HARVARD HAD MOST JEWS ON CAGE TEAM — FOUR

NEW YORK — The Jewish tagh, N.Y. who played forward Sports Review gives the award and although only 6.2 was for the major college basketball second to Silver in average team with the most Jewish points at 11 per game, took 3.9 players to Harvard. In fact, in rebounds and passed for 1.1 one three game stretch, all four assists.

The remaining two were Jonas Honick, a sophomore guard from Kensington, Pa., who is expected to take charge of the team next year, and Dave Rogers, East Rockaway, N.Y., also a sophomore, who left the squad after suffering a hip injury.

The others were Arnie Needleman, a senior from Wan-

SHERRI ANN PERK TO WED SUNDAY

Sherri Ann Perk, daughter of Mrs. Jerome Lee Cohan of Old Mystic, Conn. and Mr. Richard Perk of Indianapolis will exchange nuptial vows with Jeffrey Isaac Reider, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. Reider of Providence, R.I., at 5:30 p.m., Sunday evening, June 15 at the home of the mother of the bride in Old Mystic, Conn. Grandmother of the bride is Mrs.

Miklos Sperling of Indianapolis.

The bride attended Wheelock College in Boston. She will complete her studies this fall at IUPUI in Indianapolis. The bridegroom is a graduate of Tufts in Boston and is currently attending Indiana University, School of Medicine.

The couple will reside in Indianapolis after August 10.

Walk For Israel Scheduled By Northwest Federation

A Walk with Israel will be sponsored by the Northwest Indiana Jewish Welfare Federation on Sunday, June 22, beginning at 8 a.m. Sheldon Block, president of the Federation announced that Alan Rooth, Munster, is chairman of the event.

Marchers, who can obtain sponsor cards by calling the office of the Federation, will assemble at Munster High School.

After the fourth checkpoint, marchers will proceed north on Hohman Avenue to Temple Beth El, 6947 Hohman Ave., where lunch will be served.

Marchers are asked to wear sturdy walking shoes. Youngsters who want to help raise funds but are too young to march are encouraged to hold jump rope marathons,

basketball bouncing marathons or any other continuous activity for which they can get sponsors. These activities will take place at Temple Beth El and participants must bring their own equipment.

Adult volunteers are urged to call the Federation office to help with the March.

Funds raised by the Northwest Indiana Jewish Welfare Federation are used for local, national and overseas social welfare services with special concentration on immigration and absorption services in Israel. Locally, the Federation sponsors K'Ton Ton Nursery School, Jewish Organization for Young Singles, The Senior Adult Club, and has a full range of counseling and family welfare services. Barnett Labowitz, ACSW is executive director of the Federation. Judith Labowitz is director of Jewish Community Services.

Morris Katz Named To Democratic Body



MORRIS KATZ
...on executive committee

Election of Morris Katz to the 19-member executive committee of the Democratic National Finance Council was announced this week.

Active in the Jewish community, Katz is president of the Katz Bag Co., and a former president of the Textile Bag Processors' Association.

A long-time friend and confidante of Senator Birch Bayh, Katz will play a role in reviewing the financial plans of the Party and aid in raising funds for national and state candidates.

MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER TO TELL ADVANTAGES

A second information session for couples interested in Jewish Marriage Encounter has been set for Monday night at Beth El. The Indianapolis weekend, which will take place Aug. 16-18, is under the auspices of the National Jewish Marriage Encounter.

Approximately 25 couples attended the first information night last month. Three couples who have experienced Marriage Encounter weekends shared their feelings with those present. They told their reasons for going on this weekend with their spouse. They spoke of the enrichment that their marriages had received and of their deepening love and respect for each other. They explained how their marriages were continuing to grow as they still use the techniques they had been taught on the weekend.

More information may be secured from Enid and Herb Brodsky by calling 251-8751 or

Dottie and Herb Olshever, 257-9495.

Mrs. M. Atlass Died Wednesday

Funeral services for Mrs. Minnie S. Atlass, who died last Wednesday, were held the following day at the Flanner and Buchanan Fall Creek mortuary.

She was 74 years old, and held membership in the Indianapolis Hebrew Congregation, the Council of Jewish Women, Brandeis Women and the Broadmoor Country Club.

She was the widow of Melvin Atlass, who held an executive position with Wassons.

Services were conducted by Rabbi Murray Saltzman with burial in the IHC Cemetery.

She is survived by her daughter, Joan B. Atlass, and sister, Rosalyn Saperstein.

Closing Luncheon For CARIH Thurs.

The Ladies Auxiliary of the National Asthma Center of Denver, Colo., (CARIH) will hold its closing meeting with a catered luncheon at 11:30 a.m. Thursday, June 19, at the Martin Manor Club House. The luncheon is \$3 and everybody is welcome. For reservations, call Mrs. C. Zuckerman at 251-8838 or Mrs. E. Peltz at 293-4787.

Mrs. Weisz' Mother Dies In Budapest

The death of Mrs. Blanca Bleier, mother of Mrs. Zoltan Weisz, took place last Thursday, June 5, it was learned here. She died in Budapest, and was 75 years old.

Other survivors are her husband, Zandor Bleier, a son, Andrew, of Chicago and three grandchildren.

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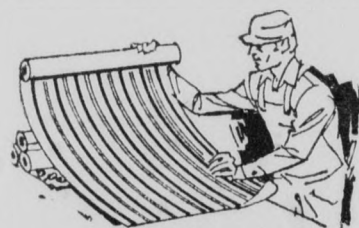
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SHAWNEE STATE PARK in Portsmouth, O. was the setting



for the regional retreat of the Union of Orthodox Jewish Congregations of America recently with several couples from Congregation B'nai Torah participating. They were Dotti and Sheldon Friedman, Joanne and Darrel Mandel, Judy and Ed Epstein, Alice and Albert Fischel, Vicki and Joe Goldstein and Miriam and Jim Atlas.

MORE COMINGS AND GOINGS

June Herman is home from a visit with her mother in Florida.

NCSYers bound for a summer in Israel are Danny Epstein, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Epstein, Neil Friedman, son of Mr. and Mrs. Sheldon Friedman, Monica Hasten, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Mark Hasten and Nina Young, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Chic M. Young. They will be participating in the National Conference of Synagogue Youth's Israel Summer Seminar.

Sarann and Stanley Klain recently vacationed in Hawaii.

It's off to camp Ramah to brush up on his Hebrew for 18-year-old Mark Blain as he was recently accepted for admission in the joint program of Columbia University and the Jewish Theological Seminary.

Sheila and Larry Greenwald are home from a trip to Montego Bay.

Anna Ruth and Mark Hasten are home from a trip to Holland, Switzerland, Austria and Israel.

Soon to be leaving for a tour of Israel and Switzerland is Sharon Davis, daughter of Esther and Oscar Davis.

STUDYING IN ARIZONA are a group of North Central students. Debbie Saltzman, daughter of Rabbi and Mrs. Murray Saltzman, Sharon Brodsky, daughter of Enid and Herb Brodsky and David Blain, son of Sylvia and Michael Blain are living on an Indian reservation in Arizona as part of an alternative educational program at North Central.

European-bound is Evelyn Solotkin, daughter of Alice and Al Solotkin, accompanied by her sorority sister from AEPH, Debbie Leviton on a seven-week tour. The European vacation is a gift from Evelyn's parents for her graduation from Indiana University's School of Business.

Joanne and Rolly Koplowsky's son, Mark, is off to Arizona to visit his sister Cheryl, a student at the University of Arizona.

David Samberg is home from a vacation in the Bahamas.

Florence and Ed Fershtman recently vacationed in sunny Florida.

FOUR GENERATIONS

A four-generation picture was taken at the home of Florence and Norman Bauer when Florence's mother, Mrs. Joseph Solomon, arrived in Indianapolis from her home in Miami Beach to visit her new great-granddaughter, Lisa Dresbach, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Michael Dresbach.

ANNIVERSARY CORNER

Congratulations to Dr. and Mrs. Phil Fogle on the celebration of their 25th wedding anniversary!

Celebrating their 47th anniversary this month are Freida and Ben Sacks. Toasting their 36th year are Bessie and Charles Sachs. Also celebrating 47 years this month are Bertha and Joseph Mehlman. Other anniversaries are being celebrated in June by Ann and Irving Moschel, Marian and Archie Aronstam, Esther and Jack Fogle, Judy and Ted Sosin, Rosemary and Sol Fogle, Audrey and Steve Sicker, Pearl and Sam Rabin, Rosita and Allan Zukerman, Florence and Ed Fershtman, Fay and Jack Dorfman, Bernice and Irving Greenberg, Cookie and Gerald Kraft, Sandy and Marty Lipp, Evelyn and Jules Heisler, Audrey and Jack Larman, Ida and Gehard Oakley and Rabbi and Mrs. Murray Saltzman.

CAMPUS REPORTS

Marlene Rene Dorfman, daughter of Fay and Jack Dorfman is graduating Magna Cum Laude from Washington University in St. Louis. She majored in Sociology and Education.

Bradley Bleefeld, son-in-law of Marge and David Dlott of our city and husband of Meree Dlott Bleefeld, recently was ordained in Cincinnati at the Hebrew Union College. Attending the ceremonies from Indianapolis were the Dlotts. Rabbi Bleefeld will soon assume the position of assistant rabbi in Columbus, Ohio.

Fay Goldstein, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Goldstein, recently graduated from Indiana University, School of Nursing.

Cantor Edwin Epstein recently received his Master's Degree in Education from Indiana University.

Anita Ruth Sakowitz, daughter of Sarah and Sidney Sakowitz, recently graduated from the University of Michigan where she majored in Political Science. Anita has been accepted at Indiana University, School of Law and will begin her legal studies this fall.

Elaine Fink, daughter of Bea and Irving Fink, is also a recent graduate of the University of Michigan. Elaine will soon be leaving for Chicago where she will be working in the community organization field.

Evie Sacks, daughter of Char-

leen and Art Sacks, recently graduated from Washington University in St. Louis.

Barry Heller, son of Elaine and Henry Heller, recently graduated from Brown University and will be entering Indiana University, School of Medicine.

Dorothy and Stanley Terman recently received their doctoral degrees from the University of Iowa in Iowa City. Dorothy received her Ph.D. in Secondary Education and works for the Washington Township Public Schools and her husband Stanley received his Doctor of Medicine degree. Dr. Terman is currently a resident in psychiatry at the Indiana University School of Medicine.

Sarete Zawadsky, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Philip Zawadsky, recently received her Doctorate of Medicine from the Indiana University, School of Medicine and has been accepted for internship and residency at St. Vincent Hospital where she plans to specialize in internal medicine.

TRASH TO TREASURES

A flea market featuring everything from "trash" to "treasures" will be sponsored by the auxiliary of the Indianapolis Hebrew Academy from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Sun. June 22 at the parking lot of the Academy, 6510 Hoover Road. Hobbies, art treasures as well as miscellaneous items will be offered for sale by auxiliary members. Merchandise will be taken on consignment by sellers. For more information regarding the sale, please contact Ruth Steinlauf at 297-3436.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur I. Sagalowsky have moved into a new residence.

Also soon to be moving are Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Grumbacher.

Lillian and Maurice Delott have moved to Park Hoover Village.

Mrs. Louis Finegold has re-

Births Announced

RABBI AND MRS. GERALD SCHWARTZ, 6447 Hoover Rd., announce the birth of their first child, a daughter, Elka, born on May 13. Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Abraham Halpern of Jerusalem. Paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Irving Schwartz of Brooklyn.

MR. AND MRS. MICHAEL DRESBACH, 7909 Teel Way, announce the birth of their first child, a daughter, Lisa Michele, born on April 11. Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Norman Bauer. Paternal grandmother is Mrs. Earl Dresbach of Indianapolis. Great grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Solomon of Miami Beach.

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WELCOME BACK

Mary Ellen (Michi) and Michael Raff and their two children Michelle and Gregory are back in Indianapolis after a five-year stay in Berne, Ind. Parents of the couple, Rose and Morris Raff, are happy to have their son and daughter-in-law and grandchildren home again. Michi and Michael are currently residing on Suffolk Lane.

JOTTINGS

Lawrence Maslan has been appointed co-chairman of the allocations advisory committee for the United Way of Greater Indianapolis.

Art Barrett, former president of IHC was recently appointed

honorary Camp Committee Chairman of the Zionsville Joint Camp Authority marking the third year chairmanship served by Art.

IHC BOWLING CHAMPS

Winners of the Indianapolis Hebrew Congregation Sisterhood Bowling league are as follows: First place winners, Natalie Joseph, Louise Herman, Joyce Goldshine, Ida Mae Sablosky and Jennie Kammins. Second place awards went to Patsy Cohen, Sylvia Finn, Pat Linderman, Lee Redish and Mimi Loeb. Joan Shapiro won the trophy for high actual — 146. Joyce Goldshine won most improved bowler award.

Thank you for the many calls, cards and letters! Shalom!

Dr. Louis Hodes Dies; Practiced For 50 Years

Dr. Louis Hodes, father of Dr. Marion Hodes, died last Wednesday, in the University Hospital after a three-week illness. He had practiced medicine for a half century in Manhattan, and was 80 years old.

He came to Indianapolis to be with his son and family in 1971. En route, Mrs. Hodes died and was buried here in Beth El Cemetery, where he was buried last Thursday.

In Manhattan he was director of pediatrics and at Gouverneur Hospital, and clinical associate professor at New York University Medical School, while continuing his private practice. He was on the staff of a number of leading hospitals.

Funeral Held Here For Harriet Miller

Graveside services were held Monday for Mrs. Harriet L. Miller, of St. Petersburg, Fla., a former Indianapolis resident. She was the widow of Bernard Miller and has taught school here for 15 years.

She was a former member of the Indianapolis Hebrew Congregation.

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